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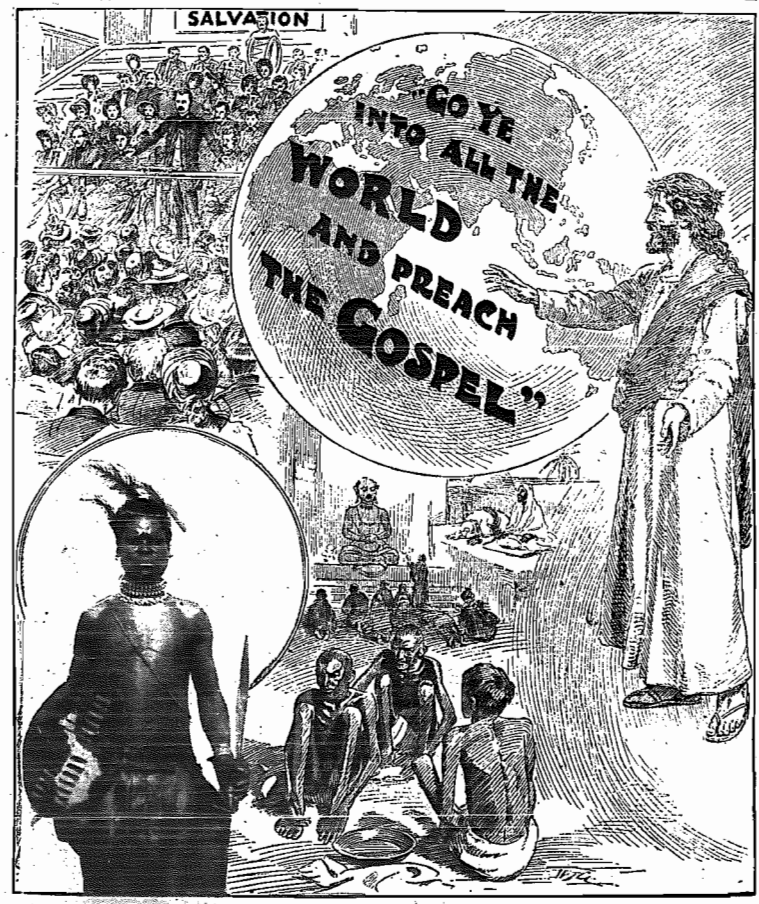

Self-Denial Week is for Home and Foreign Missions

Men, Women, and Money are Needed to Enable the Salvation Army to Continue to Carry Out the Saviour's Command

SELF-DENIAL

Let the highest motives move us,
May we truly bear the cross;
By the strain and labour prove us,
Cleanse our love from earthly dross,
Heaven's riches
Only come by earthly loss.

Let our giving be ungrudging,
Let each sacrifice be real,
As from door to door we're trudging,
Thine own presence may we feel.
By self-giving
We can strengthen each appeal.

HOW TO BE SAVED

Perhaps you are wondering how you should seek Salvation. You have perchance read much of "The War Cry," and are yet saying to yourself, "Oh, that I, too, could be saved!" If so, this message is for you!

You realize you need Salvation. Thank God for that. If you are willing to repent, and to forsake your sins, and obey His voice, you can go to Him with the certainty that your confession will meet with His forgiveness; and that through faith in the Atonement of Jesus Christ you will be made conscious of God's pardoning love. And with the new birth which we shall so soon enter, will begin a new life.

SEARCHLIGHT

"But this I say, He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap bountifully. Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity; for God loveth a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound in every good work."

WHY SELF-DENY?

SALVATIONISTS' DUTY and PRIVILEGE

THE Self-Denial Effort is in its essence religious. As a simple method of finance it has proved a signal and continued success, and that fact alone would supply Salvationists with a sufficient reason for giving to the Annual Effort their undivided and ungrudging support.

The Foundation Principle

But the essential principle, the life and soul of the undertaking, is spiritual. It is, in fact, the foundation principle of our religion, a principle which found supreme expression in the life, teaching, and public and private acts of Jesus Christ.

If you would be, in the strictest and best sense of the term, in the line of the Apostolic succession, you must practise Self-Denial, for the Church after Pentecost was for a long time supported by a similar arrangement.

What stronger reason could be sought or adduced than that contained in the never-dying words of our Army Mother—"Self-Denial will prove your love to Christ. All must do something"?

If any emphasis were required to be laid upon this oft-repeated message, delivered from the death bed of one whose life was an inspiring embodiment of self-denial, we would go just one point beyond and say that love to God can only be manifested by this means. And not only will our service be more acceptable—in fact, at all acceptable—to God when it is actuated by the spirit of self-sacrifice, but it is abundantly more likely to tell with worldly people who, after all, estimate the sincerity of a person's religion largely by the amount of self-denial he puts into it. Nothing is more convincing to those who lead lives of luxury and indulgence than that the people who set out to benefit their fellows subject themselves to personal acts of self-denial in order to accomplish their beneficent object.

One point which should not be overlooked by any Salvationist is that the establishment of such a world-wide institution as Self-Denial Week has provided a means of linking the entire Army more closely together in prayer and praise, and at the same time creating a special effort for raising the necessary funds for the universal maintenance and extension of the Army's Work. As a great, uniting force it binds the hearts and souls and minds of Salvationists in one mighty purpose, and consequently produces those qualities which, in the Organization, as in the individuals comprising it, make for strength and oneness of aim and action, and at the same time constitue a sure guarantee of victory.

A Chance for All

Self-Denial offers the finest chance to the poorest and least-known Soldier in the Army's ranks of helping to accomplish what is the nearest and dearest wish of every true Salvationist's heart—that is, the setting up of the Kingdom of God on earth, lifting up the fallen, feeding the hungry, comforting the distressed, saving the sinner, and bringing about a reign of peace and contentment.

The Salvationist's point of view is very clearly and forcibly expressed by the late Mrs. Booth, who, writing to her own people, once said:—

"You believe in the Army and love it because you see how full of life and activity it is; how it spreads and grows, and is likely to cover the whole earth, carrying with it blessings wherever it goes. But you know also that this work cannot be carried forward without a great outlay of money, and I feel sure you will feel proud to have the opportunity to take a share in this matter.

Trifles that Count

"The week of Self-Denial has been arranged by the General in order to put this within your power. Here is a plan by which every one who cares anything at all for the progress of the Army can help it without lessening any of his gifts to his Corps or to any other Salvation purpose. All can deny themselves of something, great or small, and the money saved thereby, though it be only a trifle, when counted together with others like it, will be something substantial.

"The command of Christ, urging us to go to all the nations of the earth with the knowledge of His mercy, rings in our ears, and must be complied with; but this can only be done by each one making a sacrifice of something which flesh and blood would prefer to keep or to enjoy."

For the reasons we have named, as well as many others which will occur to every thoughtful mind, Self-Denial in principle and in act is the privilege as well as the duty of every Salvationist, no matter what his station in life or position in the Army may be.

HOUR A DAY FOR "S.-D."

A Plan Which Works Very Well

For some years past I have adopted different methods for raising my Self-Denial Target, and if one has failed I have been able to fall back on another. Besides other things, I have made toffee, jam, and marmalade, sold them to my friends, and put the profits on my card; another time I have gone out to work and given what I have earned, but last year I could not see my way to do anything.

My husband had been out of work for months, so that I could not give; I had been ill, and even then had a child also ill, so that I could not go out to collect. But I told God I had the will if He would show me the way; and, most remarkable, I had so much sewing brought to me that I could have doubled my Target could I have done it in time. However, I did what I could and reached my Target.

At the beginning of this year I decided to give one hour a day to some work for Self-Denial, and I have found the plan work very well.
—S. W.

SELF-DENIAL STORIETTES

VICTORY THROUGH PRAYER

A Good Hint for Self-Denial Collectors

In connection with my first Self-Denial target when I was a Soldier at Greenspond, I recall the following incident (writes Adjutant Woodland of Burin, Nfld.). The Officer in charge of the Corps at that time was Adjutant (now Commandant) Hiscock. I remember him saying that in order to make the Effort a success it was necessary to lay it before the Lord, or in other words, pray about it.

The following day after taking our cards, several of the younger Soldiers were busy collecting and I thought I would get busy too, as I wanted to have a smashed target to hand in. The first person I asked for a donation looked at me with a very sarcastic smile and didn't give me a cent, which made me feel very disappointed indeed. The devil said, "What a fool you are to expect the people to help you for this effort." I almost vowed I wouldn't ask another person, but to think of failing on my first target was really more than I could bear as I wanted to succeed. I gathered enough courage to ask a few others, but everybody semed to have made up their mind not to help me so I only succeeded in collecting one penny. What was I to do? I had no money of my own, the time was coming around to pass in the cards, and I hadn't prayed about it up to that time.

I seemed to forget what the Adjutant told us about praying, but all at once it came to me. "If you want to get your target pray about it, lay it before the Lord." I went direct to my bedroom, told the Lord all about it, told him how disappointed I was by being so unfortunate with collecting. I asked Him earnestly to help me, to open somebody's heart. I felt satisfied while praying that I was going to get my target. It was a very stormy day, but I got up from my knees feeling confident that God had the target provided for me somewhere. I went out into the storm, it being dinner hour too, but that didn't bother me then, to get the money, not knowing from what source it was coming I walked down the street. Not a soul was to be seen and the storm was fiercely raging.

Presently I heard a voice, I looked in the direction from whence the sound came and saw a man standing in his shop door. I went up to him. He asked if I would take some luggage on board the steamer for him on the morrow. "Certainly I will," I said. The work was worth about a quarter, but he gave me four times that much which almost astonished me. I thanked God on the spot for I knew He had answered my prayer and helped me in reaching my target.

A GOOD REASON

Why the Soldier Gave to the Self-Denial Fund

Recently two Canadian Soldiers went into a boot repairer's shop. Whilst waiting for their requirements to be met one of the soldiers noticed a Self-Denial box, which was affixed to the counter, and into this he dropped a coin. His companion chaffed him for his liberality, but the donor soon caused him to be silent by the simple reminder, "We must do our bit for the Salvation Army, for it gave us clean shirts when we were in France!"

THEIR LAST DOLLAR

Was Given Cheerfully to the Self-Denial Fund and the Lord Repaid

During the Self-Denial Effort of 1913 (writes Sister A. Tate, Brandon, Man.), my husband was out of work. All the money we had was one dollar and we did not know where the next was coming from. Our Officer had asked that all Self-Denial cards should be handed in by a certain date and when the day arrived I said to my husband: "You had better take in your card and take that dollar."

As he was walking down the street on his way to the meeting a friend said to him: "Are you working anywhere?"

"No," he replied.

"Then bring your tools in the morning," said the other.

Of course that meant work, so he came home with a smiling face and we both thanked God.

I said: "See how the Lord repays."

I always feel that before I can ask others to give I must give myself as each year may be my last opportunity. "The Lord loveth a cheerful giver."

OUTSTRETCHED HANDS

URGENT APPEALS FROM MANY LANDS FOR THE ARMY'S ASSISTANCE—FROM INDIA, AFRICA, PERSIA, PALESTINE, CHINA, AND THE DUTCH EAST INDIES, ARISES THE CRY: "COME OVER AND HELP US!"

SELF-DENIAL CAMPAIGN WILL PROVIDE THE MEANS TO ANSWER THE CALLS

FROM all quarters of the earth eager hands are stretched forth to the Salvation Army, and the Macedonian cry is ascending "Come over and help us." Many new Officers will be required to meet these new calls, and greater financial supplies will be needed in order to enable the Army to take full advantage of the glorious opportunities now opening up. A generous response to the Self-Denial Appeal this year will help us to respond to the cry that comes to us out of the deeps of the world's helplessness and woe, and be the means of spreading Salvation to some of earth's darkest corners.

Million Workers Needed

India, where famine now stalks abroad, has the first claim upon our sympathies. What a field it presents for Missionary Effort. "Here in India," writes Commissioner Booth Tucker, "is needed a fighting force of a million workers for Christ if the 320 million souls are to be effectively reached. Scarcely a post but is insufficiently garrisoned, even for mere purposes of defence; to open one post more involves the abandonment of another. Instead of 150 Indian Cadets in Training, we ought to have immediately at least 1,000—and next year, treble, quadruple this number.

"'The harvest truly is great.' We have just concluded a twelve days' campaign in which the crowds numbered from 2,000 to 10,000 day after day in four different centres, covering a tract of country about as large as Palestine. More than one thousand seekers knelt at the Penitent Form, some renouncing drink, deviltry, and all kinds of sin—others consecrating themselves to God. When the multitude burst into spontaneous and simultaneous prayer, it was like the 'sound of many waters'—a Niagara of Prayer.

The Only Solution

"'But the labourers are few.' The expansion of the work involves greater financial supplies. The Salvation Army can probably make a rupee go further than any other organization in India, but there is a point beyond which our economy will not go; the only solution is another rupee, and yet another!

Especially do we feel that our workers, however willing, must not be allowed to unduly stint themselves. They must be better cared for. 'The workman is worthy of his meat.'

"When we turn to Africa we meet with a similar tale of appalling need."

In a recent interview in "The British Cry" the General, referring to the West Coast of Africa, said: "These peoples have long been open to us; indeed, Salvationists have already been enrolled both in Nigeria, Sierra Leone, and on the Gold Coast. We have been frequently importuned by these people to send them Officers and definitely establish the Army. Remember that Nigeria contains seventeen millions of people; the Gold Coast and Sierra Leone another three millions.

In Sierra Leone

"The last Officer from London to visit the country was heartily received by the Governor of Sierra Leone, who spoke of the whole Coast, and referring to his knowledge of the Army, chiefly gained when he was in the Straits Settlements, was cordial in his promise of welcome.

"I remind you that for years we have had to keep away from West Africa because the climate is so unhealthy, especially near the Coast. Really I have felt that we had not sufficient Officers to take [illegible]ks when other parts of the world are [illegible] Notwithstanding, there is no doubt [illegible] that tens of thousands of these wonderful [illegible]ies can be won to God."

Fr[illegible] the other side of the vast continent come[illegible] other heart-stirring appeal. Many of our Soldiers on the Rand come from Portuguese East Africa. When they return home they desire to carry on Salvation Army work among their people, but by the law they are not permitted to form themselves into a society unless under European oversight. The Government requires that a European Officer shall reside in the country to supervise the work. All the natives can do is to conduct prayer meetings in their own homes and it is difficult for a red-hot Salvationist to be thus tied up. They have sent pressing appeals for Officers and any Officer with a knowledge of the Portuguese language, or any Soldier with similar qualifications, willing to offer as a Candidate for that field should apply at once to the Territorial Commander.

"It is agonizing," says the General, "to think of these dear native Soldiers, converted in Johannesburg, nursed and strengthened in the Army there, separated from their leaders when they go home to their families, and unable for the want of Officers to be gathered together. But it is even more distressing to feel that thousands of their own people would do as they have done and give themselves to God had they but shepherds to seek and find them."

Persia Calls for Help

A call also comes from Persia. "I have been approached," says the General, "with a view to the establishing of work in one or two places, such as Shiraz (which has a population of 250,000), Ispahan, and Teheran. I cannot, of course, go into details here, but it is clear to me that a party of pioneer Officers would receive a hearty welcome in the midst of these Mohammedan peoples."

"Then there is Mesopotamia. What a charm that country has for all who know anything about the history of the ancient world! Ur of the Chaldees — Nineveh — Babylon — what thoughts they call up! Well, most pressing invitations have reached me direct from Bagdad, and others by way of Commissioner Booth-Tucker. We already have an Officer working there with one branch of the military forces. In a recent despatch he pleads with me to start the Army there.

"One of the Superior Officers connected with His Majesty's forces in Mesopotamia recently wrote to me upon the same matter, urging me to use this period of the British occupation to send Salvation Army Officers.

Beginning in Palestine

"There is Palestine also. Lieutenant-Colonel Knott has gone there, with every prospect of an important beginning of organized effort. But of course the extent to which we are able to push it will depend upon Officers being provided for the purpose. There is to me a special charm in having the Flag of the Salvation Army flying in the land of our Saviour's birth, and life, and death. Surely, if anywhere in the world the Army should be singing—'His Blood can make the foulest clean'—it should be in Jerusalem and Nazareth and Galilee! Who, then, will volunteer?"

China also stretches out its hands to the Army. Regarding this great field, which has only recently been entered by the Army, Brigadier Salter says:—

"The people are waiting to receive us. They flock in crowds to our meetings. The opportunities for expansion are unlimited among that vast population—so many millions of whom are as yet untouched by any religious agency. Why, in certain towns we found the people in total ignorance of Christianity; and as for the Salvation Army in some places the authorities in the new towns where we went to "open fire," inquired how many guns we had, and wired to Pekin asking what they should do with this Army—which consisted then of myself and a Chinese interpreter! I am positive it is in God's plan that the Army shall carry the glad tidings of Salvation to these people. The great need is more whole-hearted, God-fearing Officers and more money. If we could get all we need in these two directions, China, I am certain, would become one of our finest and most fruitful Missionary Fields!"

From Isles of the Sea

And how appealing and insistent is the call to us from the Islands of the Sea! "Out stretched hands meet one everywhere here in the East," writes Colonel Cunningham, Territorial Commander of the Dutch East Indies.

"There are the hands of the blind beg[illegible] stretched out by the wayside in the hope of [illegible]ting a few cents—five go to a penny—as, [illegible] hollow cheeks and half-starved, gaunt appearance he begs the passer-by to have mercy upon his misery and calls down upon the giver of ever so small a sum the blessing of Allah.

By the railway stations as the train steams in, on the fruit and vegetable markets of every town and village, there are the outstretched hands of the sick, the deformed, the halt, and the lame, all appealing to the charitable for help, and often, by their sores and pitiful condition, not only moving the tender feelings of one's heart, but positively causing a sickness and sadness to come over one that cannot be described, and is by no means a desirable experience.

"Of all the outstretched hands pleading for mercy and assistance, surely the hand of the leper is the one that fairly takes hold of the he[illegible] of all who in any way feel for the condition of the poor, the suffering, and the outcast.

Worse Than Death

"I write in the hope of being able to stir g[illegible]erous pity for the sufferers. Gladly would I g[illegible] my life to-day to be able to show to the Ch[illegible]tian world the sights I have seen and the [illegible] state of these multitudes of our fellow creatures, whose very existence is worse than death.

"From the Island of Celebes, we have hands, both white and black, stretched out to us in a plea for help and extension. Our Officers are continually begging for further aid in the shape of men and women, as well as finance, to enable them to meet the crying need for more Mission Stations and Schools. The field is yellow [illegible], but the labourers and the money are not forthcoming in anything like proportion to the need and opportunity that spread their pleading hands to us.

"At the moment we have earnest appeals to commence two Leper Colonies in Celebes, and so great is the need that one is wanted for six hundred lepers. Must we say, No! Our hands are outstretched to our dear General in appeal for workers and support on behalf of those who sit in the darkness of heathendom and the living death of leprosy, and we are watching for the post with the reply, and are praying to God that it may be a favourable one."

Waiting for the Light

Within the space of this article we cann[illegible] speak of the many other mission fields of [illegible] Army, all with their particular and pressi[illegible] needs. But help is needed for all and "T[illegible] King's business requireth haste," as is so w[illegible] expressed in the following stirring extract fro[illegible] the writings of our Army Mother: "The natio[illegible] of the earth—millions upon millions of men an[illegible] women, living in darkness—wait for us to bri[illegible] to them the light of life and the blessings of Salvation. We must make haste, or their eyes will grow dim while they wait, and they will perish with help in sight, but out of reach."

LATEST NEWS of SALVATION FIGHTING ON THE FIELD.

MEET TROOP TRAINS

And Give the Boys Articles They Appreciate—What Some Mothers Say at North Bay

A large number of troop trains are passing through North Bay nowadays and Captain and Mrs. Blaney are devoting much time to going to the station and distributing fruit and other articles that soldiers appreciate whilst travelling.

Often the wives and families of the men are invited to stay at the Quarters whilst waiting for train connections.

The Captain hears nothing but praise for the Army from the returned men. Also in going round with War Crys many a mother says, "I never bought your paper before but since my boy has returned I have learned a lot about what the Salvation Army has done for the boys."

WYCHWOOD BAND

Leads the Sunday Meetings—Mrs. Lieutenant-Colonel Smeeton Gives Inspiring Address

Sunday, April 13, was a good day at Wychwood (Toronto). The services were in charge of the Band. Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs. Smeeton, who are Soldiers of the Corps, assisted in the Holiness meeting. Mrs. Smeeton's address on the 126th Psalm was inspiring and helpful.

At night Bandsman Clark gave the address. One young woman came forward and got well saved.

Sergeant-Major Goodenough is holding on until our new Officers arrive.

Ensign and Mrs. Snowden farewelled for Riverdale on April 7th. Several Comrades spoke kindly about them. We enjoyed the Ensign's Bible talks very much.—A. M.

GUELPH BANDMASTER

Given a Rousing Reception on His Return From Service Overseas

Lieutenant-Colonel Chandler and Major McAmmond visited Guelph last week-end and we had splendid meetings. One person sought Salvation.

We have now welcomed home Bandmaster Baldwin, who went overseas in charge of the 34th Battalion Band in 1915.

The Band met him at the station and gave him a rousing reception. On the following Sunday he conducted the week-end service. He gave an interesting account of our Bandboys, most of whom are still overseas.

BURNT HIS PIPE

Man Gets Victory Over Tobacco at Parrsboro

On Sunday, April 13th, the meetings were conducted by Captain South, our Commanding Officer. The Subject for the night meeting was "Calvary."

One man volunteered from the back of the Hall to the Penitent Form, and claimed deliverance from smoking. He put his pipe and tobacco into the stove.

EARLY AT STATION

To Meet Returning Bandsman at Regina—Major Goodwin Farewells

On a recent Tuesday night at the Regina Citadel Brigadier Coombs conducted the farewell service of Major Alice Goodwin, who has been the Young People's Secretary for the Saskatchewan Division. Many

SISTERS MRS. PATTERSON

Soldiers of Moose Jaw Corps, who each sell fifty-four "War Crys" weekly.

Comrades were with us who had been attending the Councils conducted by the Commissioner and Mrs. Sowton. Commandant Larson assisted the Brigadier and the following Comrades spoke of the many blessings received from the Major: Mrs. Adjutant Richardson, Mrs. Brigadier Coombs, Mrs. Larson, C. C. Weir from Herbert, Captain McCaughy, representing the Military, Sister Patterson from Moose Jaw, also a number of children and Young People spoke. Captain Stirland soloed.

On Wednesday morning our Band, under Deputy Bandmaster Gascoigne turned out at six-thirty a.m. to meet Bandsman Symonds, who has been overseas three years. When the train arrived the Band was playing "Home Sweet Home."

On April 6th our Officers being away to Winnipeg, the Locals had charge of the meetings under Sergeant-Major Boyle. In the morning the Band met at the Regina General Hospital, and the morning holiness meeting was in charge of Treasurer Mertens and Secretary Allen. Bandsman C. Reynolds led a good rousing testimony meeting and Bandsman Symonds gave a clear testimony on holiness.

In the afternoon the Band gave a special musical programme under Deputy Bandmaster Gascoigne.

Captain McCaughy conducted a meeting with the Young People and eleven came to the front seeking Jesus. He also visited the Jail and spoke to about 80 prisoners, and one man was converted. He also led the night meeting.—Correspondent R. J. Corbin.

GRIQUET, NFLD.

Since the arrival of Lieutenant Greene we have had the joy of seeing souls kneeling at the Mercy Seat. We are believing for more. Good crowds attend our meetings.

Some time ago we had a special meeting and raised the sum of $57.65 towards our new building. The Home League has been started and we are having a sale and tea shortly.—S. R.

FAREWELL MEETINGS

Attended With Much Blessing at Estevan—Three Soldiers Enrolled—Two Seekers

On Sunday, April 6th, Adjutant and Mrs. Hedley Jones conducted their farewell service, after having spent two years in Estevan.

The Holiness meeting was greatly enjoyed by those present.

In the afternoon we had a splendid meeting, a good number being present to witness the unveiling of the new Cradle Roll and also the commissioning of Local Officers, both of which proved to be of great interest.

In the evening the Hall was well filled. Three Comrades who have lately been converted were enrolled.

Treasurer Pearson, Recruiting Sergeant Mrs. Phillips and Candidate Stocks, who is accompanying our Officers to Swift Current, each spoke briefly. Stirring testimonies were given to the help and blessing received during our Officers' stay, especially with regard to "Full Salvation," which we have enjoyed being faithfully and forcefully preached, taught and exemplified. The Songsters favoured us with some special selections, after which Adjutant and Mrs. Jones gave their farewell addresses.

In the prayer meeting we rejoiced over two souls at the Mercy Seat.

On Monday evening the sisters of the Home League invited the Officers and family to a farewell tea in the Hall, at which most of the Soldiers were present.

The final meeting on Tuesday was a decided success. Our neighbours, the Free Methodists, united with us for the evening. Their Pastor, the Reverend Mr. Slingerland, joined our Officers on the platform and we experienced a real blessed time. The entire service was a feast to our souls.

BRIGADIER HAY

Leads Week-End Meetings at Red Deer and Pays a Visit to Burnt Lake

We had a very successful week-end, March 30, at Red Deer, led on by Brigadier Hay, assisted by Captain T. Mundy.

On Sunday morning we had a splendid attendance at Company meeting. The Brigadier reviewed the lesson and spoke to the children.

In the afternoon the Brigadier and Captain F. Mundy conducted a meeting at Burnt Lake, which is an outpost, while Captain T. Munday led on at the Corps.

At night after a powerful meeting four sought Salvation.

On Monday night a Lantern lecture was given by the Brigadier. The Hall was full.—H. H.

RETURNED FROM OVERSEAS

Bandsman Hallam (Niagara Falls) and Brother MacDonald (Portage la Prairie).

MRS. BRIGADIER GREEN

Spends Week at Dovercourt Visiting Childrens Homes—Leads Sunday Meetings

A splendid day's meetings were enjoyed by the Dovercourt Comrades on Sunday, April 13. Mrs. Brigadier Green was in charge, assisted by Captain and Mrs. Moat.

In the morning meeting God came very near, Comrades got greatly helped and blessed, whilst we repeatedly sang the chorus, "Only to see His Face."

Three souls knelt at the Mercy Seat after powerful addresses had been given by Mrs. Green and Mrs. Moat in the night meeting.

Mrs. Green also met the Juniors twice on Sunday. In the afternoon she spoke to the Young People's workers and gave some good practical advice for the advancing of the work amongst the young.

Her visits during the week to the homes of the children have been made of great blessing and we believe much permanent good will result from her week at Dovercourt.

GOOD ATTENDANCES

At Week-End Meetings at Medicine Hat Led by Adjutant Tutte

On Friday night, March 21st, we had Adjutant G. Carter with us, who led us on in a splendid meeting. His words brought blessing and inspiration to our souls and his singing was much enjoyed.

On Sunday, March 23rd, Adjutant Tutte and Captain Roe conducted the meetings which were well attended, both outdoors and indoors.

In the Holiness meeting Captain Roe took the lesson and spoke powerfully from God's Word. At the close of the meeting three Comrades came forward for the blessing of a clean heart. We had a good attendance at the Company meeting when the Captain told a few of his experiences at the front to the Young People. Adjutant Tutte led us on in the open-air meeting at night. He also spoke forcibly to the large crowd in the Citadel.

GALT BAND

Is Doing Good Service—Adjutant Hodgson Leads Week-End Meetings

The week-end meetings at Galt on Saturday and Sunday, April 5th and 6th were conducted by Adjutant Hodgson. A splendid crowd turned out to all the meetings. The Adjutant's talks were very helpful. One soul sought Salvation. On Thursday evening, April 10th, the Band had charge of the meeting. Bandmaster Ellis arranged a very interesting programme of Music and Song, which was much enjoyed. The Band, by the way, is doing splendid service, turning out Tuesday evening for practice, and on Thursday and Saturday evenings, and three times on Sunday. Their music is much appreciated. We have welcomed two new members, Private Lavender, who has returned from Overseas, and Brother Charles Lavender.

GRAND FALLS BAND

Is Making Good Progress Several New Members Welcomed—Festival in Town Hall a Great Success

Our Band at Grand Falls, Nfld., under Bandmaster Arthur King, is on the move and able to report good progress. We have welcomed back from overseas Bandsman John Maidment (first Cornet), after an absence of two years. He is looking fine after his experiences. He brought with him a life partner from Crieff, Scotland.

Corporal George Butler, who has suffered considerably from shrapnel wounds received early in the war, has recently taken up slide-trombone (first) and is doing well. He was our first Bandmaster.

Brother George Manuel has recently been welcomed from the Botwood Corps, and has taken up Baritone.

Brother Leslie Martin, who has recently learned to play, has also taken up Baritone. Also Allan taken up baritone. Also Allan up second tenor.

On a recent date we gave a Band Festival in the Town Hall and though every seat was reserved, they were all sold three days prior to the date of the Festival. It was a great success. There were scores of requests for a repetition, but we were unable to do so, not being able to secure the Hall again, as it is booked ahead several months.

With the advent of spring, we hope to do plenty of open-air work, which we have been prevented from doing all winter owing to frost.

Commandant and Mrs. Hiscock are the Officers in charge.—G. B. Cater, Band Secretary.

INDUSTRIAL DEPARTMENT

Some Sidelights on Its Usefulness and Its Demands

Few people know the amount of work involved in running an Industrial Department such as the Salvation Army carries on in Toronto.

A glance at the wareroom sheds at noon will give an idea of some of the work—they are a hive of industry, horse waggons and motor trucks all in together unloading. At present eight horses and two motor trucks are in commission and it is hoped a third motor truck will soon be added to the equipment.

There are twenty-two employees besides the office staff. The expenses are on the average $100 per day, but, we are pleased to say, all this is met by the proceeds from waste material which are converted into saleable articles.

The poor people of Toronto are our customers. If friends desire to know what is done in this line let them go to one of the three stores in the city and quietly ask some of the people who frequent there what they think of the opportunities they are given of obtaining needed articles at prices within their reach.

Anyone who runs a Salvation Army Industrial Department and succeeds will be on the job early and late, and will not be afraid to roll up his sleeves and tackle all kinds of work, and do it continually without watching the clock. With hard work and faith in God he cannot fail. He must also remember that all with whom he has to deal with are not saints; he will get many a rebuff and have much to discourage him, but all this will be a part of his work. One idea must be kept to the front, act fairly and squarely in all your dealings with every one; then leave the results with God, and you will get a perfect trial balance.—J. Thompson, Commandant.

GLOWING TESTIMONIES

Given by Returned Men at Brantford—They Are on Active Service For God

Bright, cheery meetings were the order of the day on April 13th at Brantford. Our Officer, Adjutant J. T. Wright, on behalf of the Corps, extended a hearty welcome home to six of our boys from overseas. The afternoon meeting took the form of an Old Boy's reunion. Brother Saunders took the lead in the testimony meeting. He has won the Military Medal and gained his promotion for bravery on the field. One and all gave glowing testimonies to God's saving and keeping power and said that they had determined to be on active service for God.

Captain J. Holloway (another old boy) spoke for a few minutes on "Impressions of the Past Four Years."

Bandmaster Newman, who returned about a month ago has stepped into his old place at the head of the Band and his bright testimony and his spirited leading has been a source of great blessing and inspiration to us all.

At the close of the day's fighting we rejoiced over four adults and two Juniors seeking the Saviour.—O.A.S.

VANCOUVER V.

In the absence of Captain Black on furlough, Lieutenant Shorter is leading us on.

We had good meetings this week-end. Envoy Houghton from Victoria conducted the Holiness meeting and Captain Shannon, of the Military Hostel, conducted the Salvation meeting. Five souls surrendered, one of whom had received help during the week.

A wedding was conducted on April 5 by Brigadier McLean. The Comrades being Sister Dicker and Brother McRae of South Vancouver.—A. Sheriff.

RETURNED MEN

Attend Special Service at Aurora and Are Addressed by Major Southall

The Aurora Corps held a service for returned men on Sunday evening, April 13th, which was a splendid success. The Mechanics' Hall, taken for the occasion, was filled to capacity.

Before entering the hall the returned boys, headed by the town band, marched through the town.

Major Southall, who was in charge of the service, gave a very interesting address. Mrs. Southall read the Scriptures and spoke a few words to the men. Captain Coull welcomed the men on behalf of the local Corps. Treasurer Proctor also gave a short speech. Sergeant Hulme spoke on behalf of the returned men expressing the esteem in which the Salvation Army is held by them. Singing was entered into heartily and one and all thoroughly enjoyed the service.

BROCKVILLE

The meetings at Brockville on Sunday, April 6th, were led by Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs. Morehen. The Colonel's address in the Holiness meeting brought a wonderful blessing to many. At night Mrs. Morehen spoke very touchingly and the Colonel gave a stirring Salvation address. Five seekers came forward.

WALKERVILLE GROWING

Senior and Junior Soldiers Enrolled—Young Man Seeks Salvation at Drum Head

On Sunday, April 6th, our meetings at Walkerville, were conducted by Lieutenant-Colonel Rawling, assisted by Adjutant Ritchie. A good crowd gathered for the Holiness meeting and listened with great interest to the address given by the Colonel. In the afternoon the Adjutant enrolled four Junior Soldiers.

A very interesting event took place in the night meeting when the Colonel enrolled three Senior Soldiers.

Recently while holding our Sunday evening open-air a young man knelt at the drumhead and found the Saviour.

On Sunday, April 13th, the services were conducted by Adjutant Martin. His talks were very helpful and inspiring to all present and we had the joy of seeing a backslider kneel at the Cross.

The Young People's Corps is progressing nicely under the leadership of Captain W. Jones and Lieutenant A. Beckwith. We have started the Sand Tray which is very interesting to the little tots.

On March 31st we held our Young People's Annual at which Commandant Keeler from Detroit presided. The Hall was crowded and everyone was delighted with the different items given by the children.—Record Sergeant.

How to Secure an S.-D. Victory

By Prayer, and Supplication, with Thanksgiving, let your Requests be made known unto God

PARRY SOUND

We welcomed Captain and Mrs. Brewer a short time ago at Parry Sound and we are all going in by the help of God to deliver His message of pardon to sinners and get them saved.

A cottage prayer meeting was held at Brother and Sister Haines last Friday evening. It was a time of blessing. Every one felt the Spirit's presence.—J. A. C.

RECORD CROWD

Attends Holiness Meeting—Lieutenant-Colonel Bell Delivers Stirring Appeal—Special Music and Song—Four Surrenders

The Central Holiness meeting held on Good Friday night was the means of much inspiration and enlightenment. The crowd was the largest that has yet attended these special meetings and the fervent "Amens" and "Hallelujahs" told of the joy possessed by those who uttered them.

A good deal of music and song was crowded into the meeting, each item bearing on the death of the Saviour. The Temple and Chester Songster Brigades each contributed one item and the two Bands of the above named Corps united together for two selections.

A quintette, composed of Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs. Bell and their three daughters, sang, also the Male Choir of Chester Corps rendered a special song.

Mrs. Colonel Bell read the Scripture lesson and Major McEwan gave a short address. She urged upon her hearers the importance of living in close touch with God. The words of Christ, "I thirst," had impressed themselves upon the Major, and she pointed out that the Saviour was eager to secure the fellowship and love of every human soul.

The message given by Lieutenant-Colonel Bell was lucid and powerful. By apt illustration he sought to show how the will and purpose of every true follower of Jesus Christ, as well as those who desired to claim the blessing of sanctification, must be in subjection to, and in harmony with, the great heart of God.

The manner in which the Colonel described the surrender of a grain of wheat to nature, the process of its growth, and the ultimate results, was most stirring and as this vivid description was applied to the character of humanity no one could doubt the outcome of a life hid with Christ in God, or the disappointment of those who disobey the leadings of the Holy Spirit.

Four Souls surrendered in the prayer meeting.

These Holiness meetings have been during the winter months a strong factor in bringing light and liberty to many souls, and the news given out last Friday that next week is to be the last of the series was received with considerable regret.

EASTER BLESSINGS

Good Times at Earlscourt—Ninety Per Cent. of Corps on Big March—Forty-one at Knee Drill

Our Easter-tide services at Earlscourt started with our taking part in the grand march from Queen's Park, which about ninety per cent. of our Seniors and Juniors paraded, afterwards receiving a great spiritual blessing to our souls in the great massed meeting.

The same evening Captain Parsons, assisted by the Band and Songsters, gave a lantern service entitled, "The Wondrous Cross," which proved very interesting to a large audience.

The Saturday evening meeting conducted by the Corps Cadets was a real good time, resulting in one soul seeking Salvation.

Forty-one were at knee drill, and took part in a glorious morning parade, awakening the neighbourhood. Great blessings were received all through the day. Two souls sought Salvation, three the blessing of a clean heart, and two offered themselves as Candidates.—Candidate Isabel Brown.

YOU SHOULD HELP THE SELF-DENIAL FUND

BECAUSE all The Army's Work, whatever its character, and wherever carried on, is done in the spirit of the Gospel.

Woman's Work, Ways and Warfare.

HOME LEAGUE NOTES

Woodstock, N.B., Home League is still going ahead. We have just had our sale of work and a tea and realized the sum of fifty dollars.

Adjutant and Mrs. Wells have farewelled and gone to St. John III. We will miss Mrs. Wells in the League as she was a blessing to us.

G. M., Secretary.

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On Wednesday, April 2nd, the **Home League of St. James Corps (Winnipeg)** held a sale of work and home cooking on behalf of the Corps. The Rev. I. G. Bethell opened the sale, assisted by Mrs. Brigadier Taylor and Ensign Junker (the Corps Officer). A short address by the Rev. I. G. Bethell upon Consecration and Service was much enjoyed by all present.

The Band rendered music during the evening and the takings of the sale realized $75. After expenses were paid $50 was handed over to the Corps.

We are glad to be able to report an increase of numbers and interest in our Home League, for which we praise God and go forward.—S.J.L.

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The Leamington Home League is making good progress under the leadership of Secretary Mrs. J. R. Dawson.

On Saturday, April 5th, they had a sale of work. The Rev. Mr. Hill and his wife opened the sale. Mr. Hill made a few kind remarks about this branch of our work, after which, our Officer, Captain W. Martin prayed. Then the Home League sisters started to dispose of their goods.

The different garments, quilts, and fancy work showed that the Home League members had not been idle.

In the evening our Band and Songsters gave a short programme, while the sale continued. At the close of the sale the sisters felt repaid for their labors, the sum of $74 having been raised.—E. D.

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Bowmanville Home League had a very successful sale of work on Monday, March 31st. Mrs. Staff-Captain Knight opened the sale. Everyone was delighted with her address. A good crowd was present and we were delighted with the beautiful spirit that prevailed.

A fine display of goods was made. Home-made cooking found a ready sale. At night our friends, the Methodist Sabbath School Orchestra, augmented by several vocalists, gave a bright, interesting programme. The proceeds were $63.

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We are pleased to report that the **Galt Home League** is making splendid progress. We now have a membership of over fifty women, and the weekly meetings are well attended. On a recent Wednesday afternoon, a number of the women visited the Freeport Sanitorium and gave the boys an interesting programme. Refreshments were also taken to the boys. The meeting on Thursday evening, April 3rd, was in charge of the League. A splendid crowd turned out to enjoy the programme of song, music and recitations.

Reminiscences of Field Officers

No. II.—COMMANDANT NAOMI CABRIT (Montreal III.)

A COURAGEOUS, DEVOTED, AND SELF-DENYING OFFICER

It was in France, her native land, that the present Commandant Cabrit who is in charge of the French Corps in Montreal, first met with the Salvation Army. She belonged to a Huguenot family and had been brought up religiously, but in the first Army meeting she attended she felt that the Saviour was calling her to follow Him in aggressive warfare for the Salvation of the people. As a first step in this direction she went forward and knelt at the Army Penitent Form.

Commandant Cabrit

Before long she donned the Army uniform and found many opportunities as a Soldier of the St. Jean Du Gard Corps for extending the Kingdom of God. Walking thus in the pathway of obedience to God's will the call came to a wider field of service and she stepped out on the pathway of Officership.

Field Service in France

She was trained at Paris and then sent as a Lieutenant to Nimes. For the next ten years she laboured faithfully at no less than 17 Corps, throwing heart and soul into the great task of winning the world with the Blood and Fire.

One day a telegram came to her from Headquarters, asking her if she would go on foreign service. She did not know whether this meant India, Africa or Asia, but, after much prayer and searching of heart, she came to the decision that she would go anywhere for Jesus. So she wired back her answer, "Yes." Shortly after, she was somewhat surprised to receive orders to proceed to Canada.

It was in the year 1900 that she arrived in Montreal and commenced her work among the French-Canadians.

She had an uphill fight for a long time, and like the Israelites, her soul was often discouraged because of the hardness of the way. What weighed upon her most keenly was the sense of loneliness and separation from her Comrade Officers. Very few Officers could speak the French language and for several years she could not master sufficient English to converse in it. So when she attended the big Councils in Toronto she felt something like a pelican in a wilderness. During seasons of prayer she would pour out her soul in her own language and then burst into tears.

Wanted to Go Home

"I cannot stand it any longer, send me back to France," she said one day to Commander Eva Booth as she sat in her office at Territorial Headquarters.

But the needs of the little struggling Corps in Montreal appealed to her afresh when she returned to her post and she felt that she could not leave the handful of faithful Soldiers. So, conquering her longing for a more congenial field of labour, she bravely fought on and little by little advances were made and she began to reap the reward of faithfulness and perseverance.

In the early days much opposition to Army operations was encountered both from the authorities and the populace and it was no uncommon experience for the Commandant and her assistant to find themselves in the police court for holding street meetings.

"We took these opportunities of explaining the object of our work," she says, "with the result that several prominent men came to our aid and secured full liberty for us. There is a change in the public attitude now. We have gained the sympathy of the people and they flock around us in hundreds at our open-air meetings."

At the open-air meetings held in the poorer parts of the city the Commandant, during the past year, has sold over 200 Testaments. Many good conversions can be recorded. One man, who had been a drunkard for many years, was attracted to the Hall through an open-air meeting. He got well saved and is now exercising a great influence for good in the shop where he works. His wife comes to the meetings and his children attend the Juniors.

Forming a Band

Treasurer De Gruchy was recently welcomed home after service overseas with the 87th Battalion. He is trying to form a small Band and is teaching two Belgians to play instruments.

Sergeant-Major Audinot is assisting the Commandant. She was a school teacher in Paris and Montreal, but coming in contact with the Salvation Army she heard the call of God to consecrate her life to the saving of souls and is now doing a very useful and important work.

A SACRIFICE FOR OTHERS

Refused to Let Store to Advertise Circus, Used it to Warn Sinners Instead, and the Money Came After all

Several years ago the Lord put a longing desire in my heart for the Salvation of souls (writes Mrs. McKay, Annapolis Royal). The Army had taught me that the smallest sacrifice for a soul would not lose its reward so I was continually watching for an opportunity to do something for the souls of others.

A circus had been announced here and nearly every one was planning how they could make a dollar on that day. I owned a little shop just across the street from where the circus train came in. It was unoccupied at that time and a party offered me $5.00 for the use of it for that day. I was afraid they might use it for things that would not be a benefit to the people, so I refused the money for it.

Then I thought "How can I use this place for the glory of God?" After praying about it, the thought came to me to put some Scripture texts in the window. It was the evening before the circus and I had very little time to make them. However, after the family had gone to bed I began stamping texts on pasteboard, until I had enough to fill the large window in the shop, also the window in the door. The texts were striking, such as, "Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain," with the question, "Are you guilty of this sin?"

Striking Texts

"The Blood of Jesus cleanseth from all sin. Are you cleansed?" "The wicked shall be turned into Hell with all nations that forget God. Have you forgotten Him?" It was after twelve o'clock when I finished them. I prayed over each one that God would use them for His honour and glory.

The train was expected at six in the morning, so I went out very early and put the cards in the windows. Then I prayed that God would speak through these texts to some soul. The train arrived and all through that day crowds of people could be seen reading the texts. The manager of the circus said to the Chief of Police that he saw something here that he never saw in any other town. In a place where he looked for circus pictures the window was filled with Scripture texts. Said he, "I suppose it belongs to a minister." The policeman said "No, it belongs to my wife. She did it thinking it would do some one good." The manager said it was all right, that he supposed we did not think enough about these things. He was seen again reading them. When the time came for the circus to commence the Manager gave the policeman a ticket, and said, "I know it is no use for me to send your wife one." So instead he sent me a five dollar note, just the amount I refused for the shop.

I do not know how many hearts were touched on that day by the Spirit of God speaking through these texts, but I heard that shortly afterwards that Manager left the circus. Eternity alone will reveal whether the sacrifice was in vain or not.

YOU SHOULD HELP THE SELF-DENIAL FUND

BECAUSE a little help from the Fund keeps going a number of useful Agencies which, not being quite self-supporting, must otherwise cease to exist.

SIX SEEKERS

At Meetings Led by Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs. Bell at East Toronto Corps

On Sunday, April 13th, Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs. Bell led the meetings at East Toronto. The Holiness meeting was one of much blessing.

At night the Colonel delivered a very forceful address which gripped the hearts of the hearers and we rejoiced to see six souls kneeling at the Mercy Seat. One dear woman stood listening to our open-air on Saturday night and came to the meeting on Sunday and was among the number that knelt and sought pardon.

The yellow, red and blue ribbon was pinned on each convert by Mrs. Bell, and they each one testified. The Colonel was pleased with the progress our Corps is making. Our Officers, Captain Thomas and Lieutenant Bobbitt, work unceasingly for the extension of God's Kingdom.

Our Cadets are leaving us. They, too, have been a great help in the Corps. We also had with us on Sunday, Captain Spooner and Captain Sharp from the Training College. Captain Spooner piloted the prayer meeting.—F. H. Turner, Corps Correspondent.

MIDLAND

Treasurer Smith of North Bay paid us a visit at Midland on Saturday and Sunday, April 12th and 13th, and many were blessed through his appeals.

On Sunday morning four comrades consecrated themselves afresh to God. In the evening service a young man was enrolled as a Soldier.

On Tuesday evening a special Soldier's meeting was conducted by Ensign Riches for the purpose of explaining the reconstruction campaign.

We have just purchased a building lot and hope to have a Junior Hall and Quarters erected in the near future.—"War Cry" Correspondent.

WOODSTOCK, N. B.

A few months ago we welcomed Adutant and Mrs. Wells to our Corps. We have now had to say farewell to them.

The Sunday meetings were good.

On Tuesday night the last meeting of our Officers was one of inspiration. Captain Farmer and Captain and Mrs. Day from Houlton, Me., were with us.

On Wednesday we had a farewell tea for our Officers. Several Comrades spoke of the blessing they had been. We wish them God's blessing in their new appointment.

INDIAN HEAD

While Captain Smith was in Winnipeg attending the Congress, the meetings at Indian Head were conducted by the Comrades.

On Sunday, April 13, in our Holiness meeting, one Comrade got the victory and at night we had seven souls out for Salvation. One man testified to having got the victory over tobacco.

LEAMINGTON

On Tuesday, April 8th, we had with us at Leamington, Lieutenant-Colonel Rawling, also Adjutant Ritchie. A good open-air was held, followed by a Salvation meeting.

Mrs. Colonel Rawling gave a little of her early day experiences in Leamington.

Adjutant Ritchie led the prayer meeting, and one soul sought Salvation.

Salvation Army Work in Gujarat

Spiritual Operations Carried on in Six Hundred Villages—Educational, Medical, and Industrial Institutions a Great Boon to the People

By MAJOR DAYASAGAR (Concluded from Last Week)

THE spiritual work which began with the awakenings already mentioned is now being carried on in over 600 villages in Gujarat; about three villages being allotted to each pair of Officers. These are grouped together in districts of about a dozen villages under a District Officer; who in turn, comes under the Divisional Officer, who has charge of the work in some 50 or 60 villages; and the present Gujarat and Western India Territory comprises ten such commands.

Indian Girls Being Taught to Sew in Salvation Army Industrial Home

Educating the Children

Elementary Village Schools—Over 150 Day Schools in which children are taught up to the 6th standard in the vernacular are regularly working, and many of these are in receipt of Government grants-in-aid.

Three Industrial Boarding Schools for the benefit of the poor and outcast whom the Army especially works among, and also for the children of our Indian Officers, are doing splendid work.

Medical Work—A central and properly equipped hospital, in charge of a European qualified doctor, is established at Anand; which roughly speaking, deals with 20,000 cases per year. There are also two other dispensaries; one at Bareja and the other at Dohad, where good work is being carried on.

Farm Colony and Small Holdings—The Salvation Army possesses a farm colony, including a village of about 300 inhabitants, near Bareja; and these farmers have now 1,000 acres of land and numerous cattle. Besides this, some small holdings in other parts are also being worked for the benefit of the poor.

Weaving Industry—The Salvation Army continues to teach young people the art of weaving on the improved Salvation Army loom, the industry being carried on both at the Anand Weavery and in the two largest boarding schools. Good serviceable cloth is turned out.

Blind Relief Scheme—This is being launched in co-operation with the Blind Relief Association, which has just been inaugurated in Bombay for the benefit of those of the poor who are suffering from eye diseases. As soon as funds permit, it will include schools and industries for the totally blind. Steps will also be taken in 500 villages to provide proper medical relief for those who suffer with eye diseases. The destitute will, as far as possible, be sent to suitable institutions.

Famine Relief—What the Salvation Army has done for famine sufferers in the past is well known; and this year for some months past, Salvation Army Officers have been busily engaged in assisting the Government and Ahmedabad famine committees to relieve cases of acute distress both in regard to human beings and also cattle. Their close contact with the poor enables them to do this work in an especially efficient manner. Colonel Spooner and several leading and other Officers are serving on the various famine committees, and also personally taking the oversight of the work so far as the Salvation Army is concerned, on behalf of the most needy. Funds are urgently required. Cattle are perishing with hunger, and prompt action is of the utmost importance.

Village Sanitation—The Gujarat Branch of the Salvation Army has also undertaken to carry out a scheme of employing distressed sweepers for the sanitation of the villages. The funds for this purpose are at present very limited; and we sincerely trust those who have the good of the people at heart will soon enable Colonel Spooner to carry out the idea of the fullest possible extent, before the filthy condition of the villages results in another outbreak of cholera or other deadly epidemics.

Helping Small Farmers

The Benevolent Bania—Under this novel name, a scheme has been working for some years past in a most satisfactory manner. By this means the poor cultivators of small plots of land, and poor weavers and others are able to obtain small loans on a low interest, the accounts of which are kept at the Territorial Headquarters, Ahmedabad; the object being to help these poor people to keep out of the toils of oppressive money lenders.

The Salvation Army Matrimonial Bureau—The branch of work is just in its infancy, and we think it will have a bright and useful future. Only marriages of Salvationists are dealt with, and it is intended to add to this, as soon as possible a Dowry Savings Scheme, to prevent the poor from getting so hopelessly into debt as many now do.

The Anti-Drink League—Although every Salvationist is a pledged abstainer, it was found desirable a few years ago to launch this scheme for the benefit of others, making Salvation Army Officers and Soldiers active workers to that end. This work is carried on co-extensively with the Army's other operations in Gujarat. It has already proved very beneficial.

The Muktifauj Madadgar Mandal—This "Salvation Army Brigade of Helpers" was organized to combat the influenza epidemic, and may be considered a kind of Salvation Army Militia, to be called into action when any future epidemic ravages the country. All castes and creeds are eligible as members, provided they will pledge themselves to abstain from drink, to pray for God's blessing on the work and to act under the direction of Salvation Army Officers for the relief of the suffering poor. Many thousands were benefitted by this scheme and over a thousand villages were reached.

The Salvation Army Students' Hostel—A small Hostel has been opened for the accommodation of those young people of the Salvation Army who are receiving a College Education, with a view to making them efficient teachers for Army Schools, and at present it is filled with a very promising batch of young men.

Training Officers

The Salvation Army War School—Something of this kind has been in existence ever since the Army commenced operations in Gujarat. The "Yuddhasala" as it is called, is situated near the Mamlatdar's Kacheri at Anand. Here candidates for the Officership of the Army, are trained and prepared for the life of real Self-Denial and devotion necessary to accomplish the Army's great object in view, and it is far from being a mere educational concern.

Literary Department—Two monthly papers, one being the Mukti Samachar, the Official Gazette of the Territory, and published in Gujarati and English; the other the "Nana Sipai", which is published in the interests of the Army's Young People is in Gujarati only. Several books have also been published in the vernacular, including a Romanized Gujarati song book which is the first Gujarati book hitherto published in that character. It is called "The Salvation Songster's Companion." Another book containing the same matter but printed in the Gujarati Character has also been published.

Long as the above list of activities may seem, they are only a portion of the great work that is being carried on by the Army throughout India, Burma and Ceylon. The Gujarat and Western Indian branch of

PLAYED TO HOME

Rousing Reception to Guelph Bandsman

We have just welcomed home Bandsman Wm. Fletcher. He enlisted with the 43rd Battery and went overseas in 1916. Bandsman Sergeant John Chadden also arrived home on Sunday evening and was met by the Band and Soldiers. A real rousing reception was given him and the Band paraded him to his home.

Adjutant Hodgson held a tea with Life-Saving Guards on Monday evening. There are now 10 Guards and the following have been appointed Leaders: Sister Mrs. B. Baldwin, Leader; Sister M. McKerr, Assistant; Sister Mrs. Denyer (Senior), Chaplain.

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WAR CRY

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EDITORIAL NOTES

Self-Denial

THE week of Self-Denial has now been reached in the West, and it approaches in the East. Sacrifice in the interests of the cause will be the key to success.

It is most important, too, that there should be no loss of spiritual blessing through absorption in the rush of the Effort. Constant recollection that this, as all one's work should be, is being done for the glory of God, the love of Christ and the extension of His Kingdom will tend both to increase the vigour of one's endeavours and to lighten, as love always does, one's task.

Every Soldier will have his or her target. Targets, however, must be conscientiously aimed at if they are to be of use, and it should be borne in mind that the target for the Territory, a Division or Corps is but the aggregate of the targets of the units included, and that upon the success of the individuals will depend the triumph of the whole.

Commissioning of Cadets

THE commissioning of Cadets, which has just taken place in both East and West, has added an encouraging number of Officers to the active list, and sent them to reinforce the ranks of the ever-increasing number who, under the Flag of the Salvation Army, are engaged in fighting sin and sorrow in whatever form they may find them.

It is a matter for very much gratification and praise to God that the Training Colleges should, in this way, session after session, be able to pass on supplies of young Officers. The readiness with which men and women are prepared to leave home and worldly prospects to devote their lives to the service of God and the blessing of their fellows in this way is also an indication of the spiritual prosperity and life of the Corps from which they come.

More Wanted

IT must not, however, be taken that the need for devoted and consecrated workers has by any means been overtaken. The opportunities for useful service under the Flag of the Salvation Army are continually increasing, and not only could many more be profitably employed in the fields already occupied, but fresh avenues of usefulness could be entered in various directions.

The question of responsibility is one about which there is often a good deal of difficulty in connection with entering upon active service. As a matter of fact, the obligation to serve God to the utmost of one's capacity rests upon all men and women alike, including even the great multitudes who are not yet converted.

But narrowing it down to those who are professed followers of Christ, we find, even among those who appear earnest and sincere, a great lack of realization that they are individually called upon to take any active part in the work of saving sinners and generally extending the Kingdom of God upon earth; in the majority of cases anything in this direction is looked upon as an "extra" for the doing of which special merit will accrue to the doer, or which is only obligatory upon a certain class or select few.

General Responsibility

IT is, however, every person's responsibility to diligently strive to find the sphere for which he is best qualified, and to lay himself—all he is, can be, and has—out to the best advantage in God's service.

What that particular sphere is must be left to circumstances to decide; in saying this we do not mean the surroundings of the person concerned, so much as those conditions of capacity of heart, mind, and body which, while differing more or less in nearly every instance, can nevertheless each be fitted into an appropriate niche in the economy of the Kingdom of Grace—for each of which, indeed, a place is already provided in God's great plan for the salvation of the world.

First, then, we say that it is incumbent upon all to discover where they should go and what they should do; in this they may depend upon the help and guidance of God to the fullest extent if they will only diligently seek it, and, of course, without it, their labour is more than likely to be lost.

Thwarting God's Plans

HAVING found one's vocation, the next duty is to follow it with every power, for great indeed will be the condemnation of him who, knowing the way, refuses or neglects to walk in it.

Now, we have not the slightest doubt that the path which God has mapped out for many of our readers leads through the portals of the Officers' Training Colleges; some have not yet realized it is so, others are in doubt, but some know it and are holding back.

If God has called anyone to Officership in the Salvation Army, or to any other definite sphere of labour for that matter, human experience and reason, as well as Divine revelation, are united in assurance that in no other direction will service be accepted or satisfaction found.

We must remember that by neglecting to fall in with God's plans we just as really thwart His purposes as if we set ourselves up in active opposition to them.

All are called to a crusade—the sacred places of the human heart, which should be the holy abode of God Himself, are in the hands of the evil one, and the Divine image in which men were cast is being marred and desecrated by sinful passion. Duty calls for action, instant and earnest.

SELF-DENIAL

AND OUR

Campaign of Mercy

Message from the General

TO THE OFFICERS, SOLDIERS, and FRIENDS OF THE SALVATION ARMY

"As unto the Lord!"

Comrades and Friends,

Here is Our SELF-DENIAL WEEK at Hand Once More

The Army increases—its work grows—its opportunities become more and more important. The demands made upon it and its Officers are larger, more serious, and more urgent every year in every part of the world. This is especially so at the present time. Hence I renew an old Appeal that our Friends and Comrades will, by some act of self-denial or sacrifice, contribute to the Funds needed for carrying forward over our wide field of activity the blessed Campaign of Mercy in which we are engaged.

For in one way and another Mercy is the grand object of all our service. It seems to me when I look over the world and view the glorious and increasing efforts of our dear people to cope with all kinds of misery, misfortune, and grief, that the Army is, in Jesus Christ's meaning, a true Neighbour of all men—the one Great and Good Samaritan for all who have need of compassion and help.

We proclaim the Mercy of God for all.

We declare it, Mercy universal and yet personal, conditional and yet free.

We bring its Healing Grace to those who feel they have forfeited all claim to it.

We offer it without money and without price to every soul of man.

My Comrades, I call upon you for your help to carry forward this Mercy-work. But I want you to render that help as to the Lord. Many of you have prospered greatly in material things. You are better able than ever to make an offering to God, Who has given you all. Do not forget Him! Do not let any spirit of selfishness swallow up your thankfulness. Bring your gifts not merely to the Army but to the feet of God.

With confidence in your generous help,

I am, your servant and General,

BRAMWELL BOOTH.

INTERNATIONAL HEADQUARTERS,
LONDON, ENGLAND.

AT LOS ANGELES

Commissioner Howard Addresses City Club and Delivers Lecture to Crowded Meeting in Large Church—Conducts Stirring Salvation Meeting and Officers' Council

[BY WIRE]

The Salvationists and friends at Los Angeles counted themselves privileged by receiving a visit from Commissioner Howard. At the invitation of the City Club the Chief was entertained to luncheon and afterwards he addressed the members and gave a very illuminating insight into the Army's operations at home and abroad, much to the interest and delight of the listeners.

On Sunday afternoon he lectured to a large audience in the First Episcopal Methodist Church on "The Army of the Helping Hand." Doctor Willis Baer in introducing Commissioner Howard spoke in very warm terms of his admiration and confidence in the Salvation Army.

The evening meeting was conducted in the Trinity Auditorium where an audience of over 3,000 people heard the Commissioner expound the straight Salvation truths. There were a number of volunteers for Salvation. Commissioner Estill supported Commissioner Howard throughout the campaign.

Other Officers present included, Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs. Lee, Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs. Samuel Rees, Brigadiers Joy, Merriweather, Gooding and Boyd, Major Tudge and Field Officers of the South California Division. The Commissioner met the Officers in Council on Monday morning. The spirit of God came very near and touched our hearts.—Captain Culshaw.

COMMISSIONING OF WESTERN CADETS

THE THIRD SESSION TO BE TRAINED IN WINNIPEG ARE SENT FORTH TO THE FIELD AT ENTHUSIASTIC GATHERING CONDUCTED BY COMMISSIONER SOWTON

FAREWELL MEETING AT TRAINING GARRISON

THE commissioning of the 1918-19 Session (Canada West) which took place at Winnipeg on the evening of Monday, April 7th, aroused great interest and the Rupert street Citadel was filled to its utmost capacity. This Session is the third to be "home trained" since the formation of the Territory, the first year's session, it will be remembered, having passed through the Toronto Garrison.

Joyous Spirit

An exceptionally joyous spirit pervaded the gathering. This was particularly noticeable among the Salvationists present, the result, no doubt, of the splendid series of meetings conducted by Commissioner Howard.

On the platform with Commissioner and Mrs. Sowton were Colonel and Mrs. Turner, Colonel Nurani (Case), Brigadier Anbai (McIlwraith), the three "Prairie" Divisional Commanders, and other leading Officers.

The Citadel Band struck up a spirited march to the strains of which the Training Staff and Cadets entered, saluting the colours as they passed.

The appearance of the smart, well set up body of consecrated young men and women, called forth an outburst of enthusiasm from the audience.

The choice of the opening song could not have been a better one, "No we never, never, never will give in." The Christian fighting spirit of this splendid song entered into the singing and the religious enthusiasm rose still higher as the opening exercises proceeded under the direction of Colonel Turner.

The prayer of Mrs. Brigadier Phillips was followed by a Scripture reading by Captain A. Sharrock of the Training Staff, and a vocal solo by Ensign Cox.

"This is a very important night to the Young People seated on the platform," said Commissioner Sowton. "These Cadets have now finished their training, and are about to launch out on their life's work. They are indeed privileged to have a hand in the pioneering of the Salvation Army in the great Western country. This is also an important night to their parents, the great majority of whom are not able to be present in person, but I am sure they are here in spirit. I appreciate their willingness to give up their children to work for God in our dear old Army."

A most appropriate reading was given by Cadet Celia Clark of Edmonton entitled "Cadets, Old and New."

When Brigadier Phillips, the Training Principal, rose to formally hand over to the Commissioner the Cadets who for the past six months had been directly under his care and keeping, he received quite an ovation.

An Important Work

"I recognize the honour of being associated with the Salvation Army's Training administration, and am convinced that character building, and the developing of the spiritual life of our young man and womanhood, is the greatest work to be engaged in that there is in the world to-day."

Speaking of the work of the Cadets he stated that the Session had been a very interrupted one owing principally to the epidemic of influenza. "The Cadets, however, took a valiant part in relief and nursing work."

Have Turned Out Well

Notwithstanding the difficulties we have had to contend with I think I can say without undue egotism that these Cadets have turned out well. The Training Staff and myself have tried to do our best, and we are encouraged by the progress made by them."

The Brigadier's assertion that the Army "stood for certain doctrines and we are not prepared to swerve one point from them," evidently met with the approval of the audience, for it was followed up by vigorous hand-clapping. His parting message to the Cadets was "He goeth before you."

In the course of his reply the Commissioner suggested with a tinge of humor that he hand the Cadets over in a body to Colonel Nurani for India, to which proposition the Colonel said she "would have no obection and they would all receive a most warm welcome in India if they were to go."

The Commissioner then called upon Brigadier Hay, the Divisional Commander for Alberta, to speak. "I feel it a privilege to be here for during my thirty years' experience as an Officer I have never been present at a Commissioning of Cadets," said the Brigadier in the course of a rousing speech. "This meeting has certainly been an inspiration to me. The Alberta Division has done its share in sending Cadets into Training and we have received a number of them back who are now doing excellent service as Officers, in fact they are all making good. This, to my mind, reflects credit on the Training Principal and Staff." He then made reference to two young Officers from last Session who are now in his Division who had between them nursed ninety cases of "flu," and who as a consequence had received the benediction of the town where they are stationed.

Cadet Lily Nelson, of the Winnipeg I. Corps, was called on to represent the Cadets and to speak on their behalf. After thanking the Training Staff for their kindness while in the Garrison the Cadet said "We all feel the better in every way for having gone into Training, and the Commissioner can depend on every one of us doing our very best by the Grace of Him who has sustained and helped us thus far."

Called From the Plough

A most interesting account of his call to the work was given by Brigadier Coombs, the Divisional Commander for Saskatchewan. "There was no Training in my young days. I was following the plough when I received my orders to proceed to my first appointment." Some humorous and pathetic references were made by him to his early day Salvation warfare.

With fervor and determination did the Cadets unitedly sing, "I'm a Soldier in the Army." This was especially noticeable in the singing of the words, "Not afraid to go where duty calls."

Before presenting the Cadets with their Commissions and notifying them of their respective appointments the Commissioner made re-

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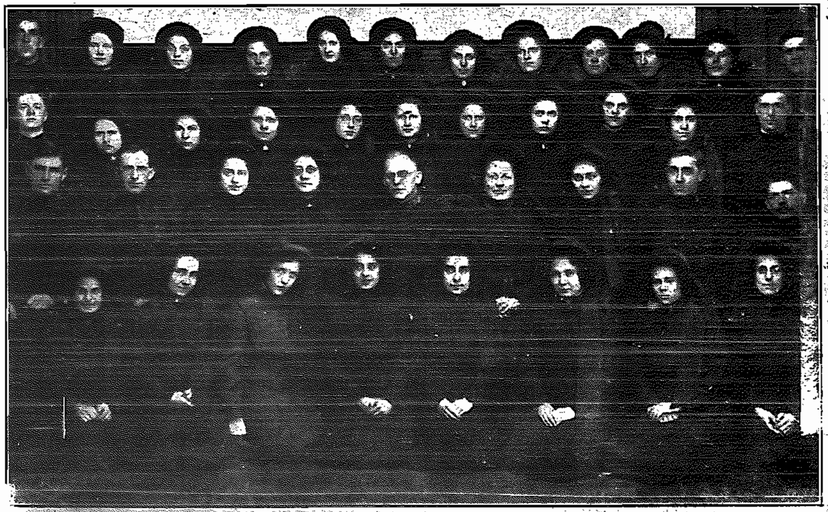

Cadets who were recently Commissioned in Winnipeg. Brigadier and Mrs. Phillips with the Training College Staff in the Centre.

GOOD FRIDAY IN TORONTO

IMPRESSIVE SPECTACULAR PARADE OF 2,000 SALVATIONISTS THROUGH STREETS OF QUEEN CITY STIRS UP MUCH INTEREST—CALVARY ASSEMBLY IN MASSEY HALL A HALLOWED SEASON OF PRAYER

COMMISSIONER RICHARDS MAKES A BURNING APPEAL FOR CANDIDATES

SUNSHINE from a blue and fleecy sky flooded the streets of Toronto on Good Friday morning and the annual parade caused no little stir.

Shortly after nine o'clock Queen's Park was much alive with Salvationists forming up in parade style. The vigorous music and the rolling of drums heralded the arrival of the various Corps as they came on the scene and took up their positions.

A Brilliant Scene

The many gaily decorated autos, trucks and waggons, the fluttering of hundreds of flags, texts and banners, the uniform of Officers, Bandsmen, Life-Saving Scouts and Guards made a brilliant scene. When the order for "Quick March" was passed from section to section, over two thousand men, women and children started for the Massey Hall via College, Yonge and Shuter streets.

The procession moved out of the park led by Mounted Police, followed closely by an advanced guard of returned soldiers carrying flags of the Allies, with the Yellow, Red, and Blue and the Union Jack well in advance. A Company of Women's Social Nurses followed and then came the Temple Band.

The various Troops of Life-Saving Scouts marched in a body, one section had a trek cart. Life-Saving Scout Troops have suffered the loss of many Leaders owing to the claims of war, but their showing in the Parade indicated that they are increasing in numbers.

Commissioner and Mrs. Richards, the Chief Secretary and Mrs. McMillan came next with Headquarters Staff.

The Life-Saving Guards made a splendid showing, and the Cadets who were followed by the eighteen Corps of the city, each headed by their band, floats, lorries, etc., made up the long procession. Halts were frequently made and the marchers singing the sweet story of the Cross, or playing the message of Hope and Salvation, were greeted again and again with the words, "Good Old Salvation Army!"

It was not only the crowd on the streets that demonstrated their appreciation of the Salvation Army, but patients in khaki outside the General Hospital and groups of interested spectators that looked down on the processionists from the windows en-route, waved alike their handkerchiefs in tokens of warm interest and kindly feelings.

As on former occasions the variety of floats illustrative of the many branches of Army activity was a striking and interesting feature.

The Men's and Women's Social Departments were well represented with autos and trucks, each showing some section of their noteworthy endeavours. Home Leagues were well to the front and Riverdale members carried a banner with the wording, "Our aim is to make homes happy," upon it.

Like a Tonic

The League of Mercy also marched in a body and their cheery countenances was a tonic to many a spectator.

Floats occupied by Young People claimed a good deal of attention and demonstrated that much time and labour had been spent on them.

Then again, the wording on the conveyances and banners used to express the work represented, were well chosen and strikingly applicable.

Earlscourt's Float was "Building up the Empire." Dovercourt's Cradle Roll auto had a sign on it, "We're small but we count for a great deal." This Corps also had a truck load of children whose fathers and brothers have had a share in the European war. Their rig bore the words, "We are happy this Good Friday as our Daddies and big brothers are either home from the war or coming soon."

"Blessed Jesus lead our children into paths of service sweet," were the words adorning Chester's Primary truck.

Lisgar street Young People were attired in special uniforms showing the various nations of the world where the Army is at work.

On Lippincott's truck a banner, "He died for all," was held by a Japanese and a Chinese who have recently been converted.

The parade was a huge success and represented in a most descriptive manner the Army's work in the "Queen City."

CALVARY ASSEMBLY

FOR two hours on Good Friday morning, the large crowd, which well-nigh filled the Massey Hall, followed with unflagging interest the various items which made up the programme of the Annual Calvary Assembly. It was a time of solemn introspection, a two hours at the Cross; a hallowed season of prayer and worship, when one's mind dwelt on the great events of that first Good Friday and pondered afresh on their meaning to humanity.

On the Platform

The Commissioner was in charge, supported by Mrs. Richards, the Chief Secretary and Territorial Headquarters Staff. On the platform, which was tastefully decorated in purple and white with various plants and flowers, were grouped the Bands and Songster Brigades of the City Corps and about 250 Life-Saving Guards.

The central thought of the whole of the meeting was the Saviour's sacrifice on Calvary. Every song, every Scripture reading, every selection by Band and Songsters bore upon this wondrous theme.

In the opening song the blessed truth that Jesus is the propitiation for our sins was emphasized, and the believer was bidden to cast aside fear and boldly approach the Throne of Grace.

"From our hearts we thank Thee for the victory of the Cross," prayed Major McEwan. "We want to be reminded afresh of that great sacrifice. Solemnize our hearts, widen our vision, and touch us with the Calvary Spirit."

Appropriate Readings

A series of Scripture readings by various Officers, were descriptive of the sufferings of Christ on our behalf.

Brigadier Barr read the wonderful prophecy of Isaiah which foretold the coming of the Saviour, His rejection, His being wounded for our transgressions, His death between two malefactors, and his burial in the tomb of Joseph of Arimathea.

The Scripture portions referring to the fulfilment of this prophecy were read by Major McEwan, Ensign Snowden, Adjutant Eastwell, and Mrs. Lieutenant-Colonel Otway.

The Staff Quartette related the story in tuneful song, the words of which were composed by Ensign Beer, with the following beautiful refrain:

Calv'ry, so dear, so sweet, so precious,
May its dark story e'er in my mem'ry dwell;
Jesus, so patient, so loving, so gracious,
There He His life laid down sin's sorrows to dispel.

That grand old favourite, "When I survey the Wondrous Cross," was well rendered by the West Toronto Songsters. A duet by Songsters Ivy Beer and Pamela Gillard reminded all that—

There was One who was willing to die in my stead,
That a soul so unworthy might live;
And the path to the Cross He was willing to tread,
All the sins of my life to forgive.

The Life-Saving Guards sang very sweetly "On the Cross of Calvary," bringing the note of consecration to God's service into the gathering with the following words—

Oh, such wondrous, dying love,
Asks a sacrifice complete!
Here I give myself to Thee,
Soul and body, Thine to be;
It was for me Thy blood was shed
On the cross of Calvary.

The music also fitted in with the grand theme of the meeting, the selections rendered being, "Redemption" (Temple Band); "The Suffering of Jesus" (Dovercourt); "The Atonement" (Riverdale).

The cumulative effect of these appeals in song, music and Scripture was to mellow the hearts of that great congregation, bringing into the meeting a beautiful spirit of praise, adoration, and willingness to hear God's voice.

The ground was thus well prepared for the Commissioner's stirring call to sacrifice and service. "The Cross in the 20th Century" might well have been the subject of his address. It was based on the text, "And whosoever does not hear his Cross, and come after Me, cannot be My Disciple." Referring to the punishment of crucifixion, which was common in ancient days, and to the many thousands of crosses erected by Persians, Romans and others, he said:

"Among all crosses there is one which attracts attention of all ages. Its victim is the central figure of the whole universe. Let us get close to that Cross and see who it is. It is Jesus, the Son of God, dying there in order to free humanity from the curse of sin, and save us from everlasting woe."

Sufferings of Christ

Very graphically he then described the events leading up to the Crucifixion of the Saviour, and His sufferings on the Cross on our behalf.

"How do you feel about this matter?" he pointedly asked. "Does the story of the sufferings of Christ leave you unmoved, careless, and indifferent? Let me warn you that unless you are prepared to follow in His footsteps and carry the cross He gives you, you are none of His disciples. What does bearing the cross mean, you ask? A cross is anything which Christ asks us to do which is hard and difficult. Do you confess Him before your workmates? Do you speak for Him in the streets? Those are the things which are the test as to the reality of our profession. Let us ask ourselves the question, 'What do we bear for Jesus'?"

Referring then to the great fields of service God was opening to the Salvation Army he made a burning appeal for consecrated men and women to offer themselves as Candidates for Officership.

Who Will Follow?

"In olden days in Scotland," he said, "they used to send round a fiery cross to summon the clans to war. I come to you to-day and lift up the Cross of Christ, flaming with glory. Who will follow? Who will gather to the Standard of Emmanuel and strike a blow for the extension of His Kingdom?"

In an earnest and fervent prayer he then committed all present to God, and eternity alone will reveal what consecrations were made and what vows recorded in Heaven as a result of this heart-stirring and impressive meeting.

I OUGHT TO BE A CANDIDATE

THE CALLS which have been made for Officers for all Branches of Work in the Salvation Army;

REALIZATION of the RESPONSIBILITY which is mine for doing my part in saving the world,

AND ABOVE ALL THE CONSTRAINT of the love of Christ, shown by His dying for my sins,

HAVE CONVINCED ME I ought to offer myself as a Candidate for Training for this service.

Name...

Address...

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Corps...

Fill up and send to the Divisional Commander, or to Commissioner Sowton, 203 Confederation Life Building, Winnipeg, Man.

PARAGRAPHETTES

PERSONAL AND NEWSY

CANADA WEST

It is an ill-wind that blows no one good, for while Commissioner Howard has naturally been disappointed in the delay of the sailing of his ship from Vancouver for New Zealand, Canada West is being favoured by an extended visit. The Commissioner has now arranged to visit Calgary, Edmonton, and Lethbridge, much to the delight of our comrades in the Alberta Division.

Commissioner Sowton met the visiting Commissioner at the Coast and is accompanying him throughout the Alberta Division, and will be seeing him off from our shores at Vancouver.

The opening of the Military Hostel in Calgary, conducted by Commissioner Sowton, assisted by the Chief Secretary, the Divisional Commander, and other Officers, was a splendid affair. Calgary is to be congratulated on the fine accommodation now available for military men.

The Chief Secretary is opening the new building at Drumheller on Sunday and Monday, April 27th-28th. The outlook for our work in this place is very encouraging.

Brigadier Hay reports a successful opening at Vermillion on Sunday, April 20th. Splendid finances, interest, and four souls at the Mercy Seat, were among the results of the initial meetings.

Major Peacock and Adjutant Walker have returned from Vancouver after their lengthened stay in that city in connection with the Calgary Drive.

Mrs. Brigadier Coombs has again been very poorly, but is now slightly on the mend.

Commandant Greenland (Fernie) is at the present time very sick, and requests our prayers.

CANADA EAST

Colonel Nurani and Brigadier Anbai addressed the Cadets and a number of Toronto Officers at the Training College on Tuesday, April 22nd, and a very blessed time was experienced.

Lieut.-Colonel Bell presided at a Musical Festival given by the Dovercourt Band in the Danforth Avenue Methodist Church (Toronto) on Easter Monday. A large crowd was present. The proceeds went towards the Chester Building Fund.

Lieut.-Colonel Hargrave conducted the meetings at West Toronto on Easter Sunday. There were four seekers.

Brigadier and Mrs. Miller conducted the meetings at Chester on Easter Sunday. There were nine seekers.

Staff-Captain Burrows has returned to Hamilton, after being engaged in special work in Newfoundland.

Staff-Captain and Mrs. Knight visited Brampton for the Easter week-end and conducted an inspiring series of meetings. There were two seekers. The newly-formed Troop of Life-Saving Guards gave a good display on the Monday night.

Adjutant and Mrs. Kendall are conducting a campaign at Collingwood, from Thursday, April 24th, to Monday, May 4th.

We regret to hear that Mrs. Adjutant Bunton (Peterboro) has been ill for some weeks past. Remember her in prayer.

Commissioner Richards

Leaves Toronto en Route to International Headquarters

On Tuesday evening, April 22, the Commissioner left Toronto for Halifax, en route to join the Olympic, by which vessel he is journeying to London on his visit to International Headquarters. There was a gathering of Heads of Departments at the Union Station to bid him God-speed. The Chief Secretary, owing to an illness which has kept him at home for the past few days, was unable to be present; we are pleased to say he is, however, now on the mend. The Commissioner will conduct an Officers' meeting at Halifax before leaving. Brigadier Miller is travelling with him to this city in order to give attention to preparations for the erection of the Maternity Hospital.

We would remind our readers of our request of last week, that there should be united prayer that God may direct the Conferences that are to be held, and that the extension of His Kingdom may result.

IN CANADA WEST

Helpful Councils for Officers Conducted by Commissioner Sowton—Review of Year's Progress in Territory by the Chief Secretary

HOLINESS MEETING IN WINNIPEG I. CITADEL

TWO most blessed and helpful Sessions of Officers Councils were conducted by Commissioner Sowton on Tuesday, April 8th, following up Commissioner Howard's Campaign at Winnipeg. The presence of Colonel Nurani and Brigadier Anbai added interest, and their talks relative to their personal experiences and life in far off India were much appreciated. The Commissioner exhorted all to "take stock spiritually" and to stir up the particular gift that God had endowed them with.

A most comprehensive resume of the progress made in the Territory during the past year was given by the Chief Secretary, and as the Colonel remarked we "have every reason to praise God."

Two Great Aims

"The two great aims which should possess us and take the pre-eminence in all our work," said the Colonel, "are the winning of souls and the making of Soldiers; if we do this we need have no fear about the future of the Army."

The Colonel stated that this year had been the most successful from a soul-saving standpoint and there had been a substantial increase in the number of Soldiers made.

A most hearty welcome home was given to Ensign Roe and Captain Shaw in the morning Session. Both these Comrades have recently returned from overseas, having seen considerable active service. Ensign Roe rose from the ranks and secured a Lieutenant's Commission with the Imperial Army. The Ensign and Captain told how they had proved the Grace of God sufficient under all circumstances, and the former paid a tribute to the late Brother McCoomb, a Salvationist who was killed in action at the Ensign's side.

Colonel Nurani and Brigadier Anbai each spoke in the afternoon session on their work on the Indian Mission Field and they were listened to with intense interest by the Officers.

Commissioner Sowton's final exhortation was full of power and had a telling effect upon all present.

During the afternoon Ensign Cox introduced a new song which he had composed during Commissioner Howard's visit. The Commissioner's memorable words "Beside the pathway of duty there always flows the river of Divine Grace," had given the Ensign the inspiration and it is around this thought that the song has been written.

The final meeting was a public one, and was held at the Citadel on Tuesday night. There was a splendid attendance and much enthusiasm. Commissioner Sowton presided and Colonel Turner and other prominent Officers were present.

Mrs. Commissioner Sowton read an appropriate Scripture upon which she briefly commented. A concertina solo with pianoforte accompaniment was played by Adjutant Merritt of Calgary.

The addresses of Colonel Nurani and Brigadier Anbai were much enjoyed for they were highly instructive and all present went away better informed regarding India's Mission Field.

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On the Friday evening previous to the arrival of Commissioner Howard, a public Holiness meeting was conducted by Commissioner Sowton in the Winnipeg I. Citadel. Colonel Turner had charge of the opening exercises and Mrs. Brigadier Coombs and Brigadier Hay prayed.

Brigadier Taylor welcomed the delegates on behalf of Winnipeg Salvationists. The visitors were represented by Brigadier Coombs, who suitably replied on their behalf.

Officers Installed

Major Sims, Major Peacock, Major Tudge, Major Goodwin and Adjutant H. G. Carter were officially installed in their respective positions, viz.: Young People's Secretary, Men's Social Secretary, Special Efforts Secretary, Assistant to the Chief Secretary for Field Affairs, and Trade Secretary.

The installation was conducted by Commissioner Sowton who made a brief reference to the work of the Officers concerned and Majors Sims and Goodwin spoke.

The Commissioner delivered a short address in the course of which he exhorted all present to pray for Commissioner Howard and the meetings to be conducted by him.

THE CHIEF SECRETARY

Leads Special Meetings at Moose Jaw in Connection With Proposed Women's Social Institution for the City

The City of Moosejaw is soon to have a Women's Social Institution. Through the interest taken in this by Mrs. Graham, Mrs. Cunningham and Mrs. Green of the Local Women's Council and the City Commissioner, Mr. Mackie, the building formerly used as a Children's Shelter is to be renovated and furnished and then loaned to the Salvation Army for a Rescue Home. The Provincial Government is also giving a substantial grant for the upkeep.

In connection with this plan Colonel Turner, accompanied by the Divisional Commander Mrs. Brigadier Potter and Major Sims, visited Moose Jaw for special meetings. The Chief Secretary was pleased to notice the all-round improvement in the Corps, also the splendid spirit that is manifest in all branches. A splendid holiness meeting was conducted in the morning, and the Comrades were greatly helped by the address of the Colonel. The Local Women's Council planned the afternoon meeting which was held in the Allen Theatre under the auspices of the G. W. V. A. and the Y. M. C. A. The object of the meeting was to bring before the people the activities of the Women's Social work. This was splendidly accomplished by the addresses of the Chief Secretary and Mrs. Brigadier Potter.

At the night meeting a large crowd listened to the thoughtful and convincing address of the Colonel and were moved by his appeal to them to take a definite stand for Christ. Two souls responded.

Band Secretary Dee is back from overseas and was given a welcome at each open-air and indoor gathering. The Band did well and were at every meeting indoors and out. Adjutant and Mrs. Beattie are doing good work in Moose Jaw.—Bob.

TORONTO MILITARY NOTES

By the Secretary

Within the past week or so several Corps in the city have had very successful banquets for returned men. At Chester Lieutenant-Colonel Bell presided over a very fine spread, and the meeting that succeeded it. The Corps Band and Songsters and local talent made up a very interesting musical programme which the men and their best girls—which in some cases was their wife, in others their mother, and others—well, we won't say.

It was our pleasure to shake hands with three fine fellows of splendid physique, dressed in Highland costume, who had been prisoners of war in Germany for three years. Altogether there were over a hundred sat down to the banquet and the hall was full for the meeting that followed.

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North Toronto had a very successful banquet and meeting. [illegible] the number of returned men [illegible] enjoyed the splendid spread [illegible]ed by Ensign and Mrs. Cooks[illegible] and their aids, was a batch fro[illegible] the Davisville Hospital. About 1[illegible] partook of the good things and the hall was packed, about 300 people being present. The Military Secretary presided, assisted by Mrs. Southall, who read an appropriate lesson. Ensign Laurie, assisted by Captain McLean and Sister Green, rendered a programme that the boys enjoyed immensely.

The returned men from the Davisville Hospital sent up a nicely worded address, which they desired to be read in the meeting, and which expressed their warm appreciation of the kindness of the Officers in inviting them to the supper and meeting.

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The Military Secretary was requested to conduct a service in one of the wards at the General Hospital on Sunday morning last. Two prominent ladies of the Sherbourne Street Methodist Church, Mrs. Tory and Mrs. Atkinson, looked after the musical section of the service. The men took part in the service, and though some of them suffered considerable pain, joined heartily in the singing.

Chaplain Captain McGillivray succeeded Chaplain Captain McEnaney as Chaplain at this institution recently in connection with changes in the Chaplain service. The former's services have been most heartily appreciated by the men, and it is fortunate that his successor is a man of similar parts. They are adepts at their job, and it is an important one.

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Another pleasing function in the past week has been the banquet and musical service for returned men at Parliament Street Corps. Captain Ellery and Lieutenant Gage and their assistants had gone to considerable trouble to prepare the magnificent table to which about a hundred men and their charming partners sat down. A splendid programme was rendered by Ensign Laurie, assisted by Captain McLean, Mrs. Captain Laurie, Sister Green, and local talent. The Military Secretary presided.

This meeting was remarkable for several things. Corporal Smith, the man who picked up the Testament and Salvation Army Officer's crest on the Somme battlefield, was present and corroborated the wonderful story (which will appear in an early issue of the "War Cry" with illustration), of how he recovered this

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NEWFOUNDLAND DRIVE

New Maternity Hospital for St. John's Is Objective

Scheme Launched at a Large Gathering of Citizens

A large assemblage of citizens interested in the erection of a maternity hospital in St. John's, Nfld., attended the meeting in the Casino theatre when the project of the Salvation Army was launched, and the preliminary work of the committee, which will undertake the campaign of raising the $50,000 required, disposed of.

On the platform were Messrs. E. A. Bowring, H. Gordon Winter, J. R. Bennett, A. H. Salter, and the following speakers of the evening: Dr. Roberts, Hon. W. J. Higgins, Hon. R. A. Squires, Dr. Campbell, Mr. A. B. Morine, with Deputy Mayor I. C. Morris in the chair, and to whom a vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. J. R. Bennett, seconded by Dr. Macpherson.

The chairman was introduced by Mrs. Lieutenant-Colonel Adby, and Staff-Captain Burrows outlined the scheme. The various speakers emphasized the great necessity for such an institution as that which the Army has in view, and gave warm support to the scheme. In dealing with the question of leaving the matter in the hands of the Salvation Army, the Hon. A. B. Morine said:

"We have tried this Army, we have seen its works from the days when it first came here, and it has won our respect and our faith and our trust."

A correspondent of a local newspaper suggests the Institution when built should be named "The Victory Women's Hospital" for the following reasons: (1)—Victory suggests the times in which the hospital is being built. History is written in the word; (2)—Victory indicates the spirit of the men who are working for the success of this undertaking; (3)—Victory over some of the unfortunate conditions which have too long existed in our midst.

The suggestion was backed by a donation of $100.

TORONTO MILITARY NOTES

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from the mud, having no idea as to whom it belonged, and bringing it back within a stone's throw from where it was taken. Then Private Smedley and his wife were there. He came to our office earlier in the day and said he would never forget the kindness and service of the Army in re-establishing his home after being burned out. He will never forget that Sunday morning when, on returning from overseas unexpectedly, to his wife, he turned into the street where his home was located and saw the blackened ruins, and was afraid that his family might have been destroyed. After making some inquiries he at last found them being taken care of by a Salvationist family.

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Ensign and Mrs. Laurie are kept busy giving attention to families who are taken care of at the Hostel for soldiers' dependents. They state that many of their clients speak in warm terms of the kindness they have received through the Army on both sides of the Atlantic.

SUBSCRIPTIONS TO "THE WAR CRY"

In places where the Army is at work our paper may be obtained weekly from the Corps' Commanding Officer or Publication Sergeant. Ask any Salvationist for particulars. If you cannot obtain it in this way we will be glad to send it direct. For subscription rates write to the Publisher, Salvation Army Temple, Albert Street, Toronto, Ontario.

Self - Denial Prospects

The Toronto Divisional Commander Has a Very Optimistic Outlook

THAT there is a spirit of enthusiasm and a confident anticipation of a record victory in connection with this year's Self-Denial Effort among the Officers and Soldiers of the Toronto Division was the impression a "War Cry" representative gathered through a brief interview with Lieutenant-Colonel Otway.

The Colonel is planning to meet the Soldiers of every Corps in the Division to launch "The Self-Denial Ship," and he will also deliver lectures on the Army's Missionary Work at a number of places.

Encouraging Signs

"What encourages you to hope for a record victory this year, Colonel?" we asked.

"Well, in the first place this is our first 'Peace' Self-Denial. If we were able to do so well during war times now God has graciously granted us peace with victory we should do even better. I am convinced from the Councils I have already held that our Officers and Soldiers are of this opinion and are determined to do their bit to exceed last year's amount—magnificent as that was. I have been very pleased to note that there is a general desire to make some real sacrifices during Self-Denial Week in order to achieve victory. For instance many have assured me that they intend to give up such things as meat, tea, fruit and sugar, and give the money thus saved to the Self-Denial Fund. They point out that if the people of Europe cheerfully submitted to a rationing system in order to win the war, so ought Salvationists to willingly deny themselves in order to show our love to God and our interest in famine stricken India. This is the spirit that will win, and I may say, that will bring most blessing to individuals and to the Army as a whole.

So the many evidences I see of its prevalence in our ranks encourages me to hope for a glorious result."

"You do not think then, that the great financial campaign just closed will affect the Self-Denial Effort?"

"Only for the better. I have been telling my Officers and Soldiers that the Salvation Army has become better known and appreciated as the result of the campaign for our war work. Now the Self-Denial, as you know, is for our Home and Foreign Missionary work, and I think most people will be more inclined to help us for that purpose now that they are in closer touch with our world-wide operations, especially in view of the dire need in India."

"Have any of the Corps which made such good increases last year suffered at all financially through it?"

"It is a remarkable fact that the Corps which did best for Self-Denial have had the very best year in their history from the standpoint of finance. It works out that way every time according to the old Scripture rule, 'There is that which scattereth and yet increaseth, there is that which withholdeth more than is meet and it tendeth to poverty!' The raising of a bumping Self-Denial amount seems to infuse the spirit of generous giving into a Corps, and its prosperity is assured. This proves that they who honour God, God will honour.

The Chief Motive

"The moral of this is obvious—if a Corps wants to advance during the coming year let it go in for a big Self-Denial Effort. The chief motive, however, which will inspire my dear Comrades to put forth their best efforts this year will be the need of those for whom we raise the money. In this favoured land we are in honour bound to send generous help to those less fortunate and to strengthen the hands and hearts of comrades who are toiling on amid discouraging and well-nigh heart-breaking circumstances to bring Salvation to the heathen."

SELF-DENIAL WEEK!

SATURDAY, MAY 3rd, to SATURDAY, 10th

WHAT THE GENERAL SAYS

THE SALVATION ARMY is striving to do three things. They are—

FIRST—To relieve the temporal needs of all who are in want or suffering or sorrow—so far as it can reach them.

SECOND—To spread the religion of Christ, especially, though not only, among the neglected and outcast, and those who have no religion.

THIRD—To build up a body of Salvationists in all places who will fight against sin and vice, who will work to honour God, and promote the goodness and happiness of men both for this life and the life to come.

I venture to say that this is good work, and I believe you will agree with me. I trust, therefore, that I may rely upon your help to our Self-Denial Fund this year—a year in which all our work is especially burdened owing to the effects of the Great War.

SIXTY-ONE SOLDIERS

Are Enrolled by Lieutenant-Colonel Otway at United Songster Festival in Lisgar Street Citadel

The Lisgar Street Citadel was filled to overflowing on Easter Sunday night when a United Songster Festival was given, presided over by Lieutenant-Colonel Otway. It was truly a joyous evening of sacred music and song, and the enthusiasm and interest of those present was of the bubbling-over sort. Seven Songster Brigades took part and there was therefore a good range of selections demonstrating the power and beauty of Salvation song. A hearty welcome to the Songster family of the city was given to the three new Brigades, North Toronto, Lansdowne, and Toronto I. They won golden opinions and now have a reputation to maintain.

The great event of the evening was the enrolment of sixty-one Soldiers under their respective Corps Flags. It was a very impressive sight as they stood on the platform with hands upraised and sang, "I'll be True, Lord, to Thee." Brigadier Attwell offered the Dedicatory prayer and Colonel Otway charged them to be faithful to the vows they had made. The following Corps were represented in the enrolment: Toronto I., 12; Lippincott, 8; West Toronto, 12; Earlscourt, 3; Wychwood, 12; Lansdowne, 3; Fairbank, 1; Lisgar Street, 10.

This is encouraging evidence of the vitality and progress of the Toronto Corps.

EARLY MARCH

Stirs People of Riverdale—New Methods Arouse Fresh Interest —Awakening Continues

The glorious news of the "Resurrection" was heralded forth by the Band at an early hour throughout the Riverdale District on Easter Sunday morning. The march of the Band was followed by a very helpful and inspiring knee drill conducted by Band Sergeant Cooper.

Throughout the day splendid crowds attended all the services and enoyed the music of the Band and helpful Easter addresses of Ensign and Mrs. Snowden. The Band took a leading part in the afternoon, a helpful testimony meeting being led by Deputy Bandmaster Deadman.

At night the power of God was much in evidence and following Ensign Snowden's earnest appeal, Sergeant-Major Bradley piloted the prayer meeting and we rejoiced to see four young men at the Mercy Seat.

The plan inaugurated by the Corps Officer of having separate open-airs for the Band, Sisters and Brothers has aroused fresh interest as well as giving an opportunity for many Comrades to take part in the open-airs. Over twenty Sisters utilized this great privilege on Sunday last. In this way we hope to reach crowds of people throughout the summer months. Throughout the Sunday services Mrs. Major Walton, Mrs. Major McGillivray and Mrs. Staff-Captain Bloss took a leading part and Sisters Farmer and Hartley made a deep impression in the night service with their duet.

ANOTHER INCREASE

Simcoe.

Please increase our War Cry order by 10.—E. Bird, Captain.

WHAT'S DOING ROUND THE WORLD

POULTRY WANTED

A FRENCH poultry expert, according to advices received by the Canadian Trade Commission, states that there is an urgent need in France for 3,000,000 breeding hens at present. It is estimated that egg and poultry production there in the last four years has decreased 50 per cent. Over 6,000 hens have been given by British traders to help the restoration work in Northern France.

EGGS FROM CHINA

CHINA, the ancestral home of the domestic hen, has long been one of the world's chief sources of supply of dried, powdered, and canned eggs, but it is only recently, since the war changed so many old-time ways of doing things, that the experiment has been made of sending "fresh" eggs in crates from China, half-way round the world, to England, France, and the Eastern United States.

A LOW AVERAGE

AT a recent meeting of the Royal Sanitary Institute, reported in the Westminster Gazette, Dr. Edgar L. Collis, Director of Welfare and Health, Ministry of Munitions, said that to-day the average age of death among industrial workers was 50, which compared sadly with that of about 67, the average for underpaid and badly housed agricultural labourers.

CANADA'S TUNGSTEN

ABOUT 3,415 pounds of Tungsten, having a value of $3,007, were produced in the Dominion last year, as shown by a report of the Department of Mines just issued.

PETROLEUM OUTPUT

THE production of petroleum in Ontario in 1918 was 42 per cent. in excess of that of 1917, it is shown in the Preliminary Report of Mineral Production in Canada for 1918, issued recently by the Mines Branch. The increase was due to the development of the new Mosa field in the County of Middlesex.

QUEBEC BIRD SANCTUARY

AS a result of the work of the Commission of Conservation in the interests of the preservation of bird life, the Quebec Legislature is about to pass a bill setting aside the Bird Rocks, Bonaventure Island, in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, as a bird sanctuary.

VANCOUVER ISLAND COAL

THE Vancouver Island coal mines produced 158,327 tons of coal in January, 10,000 in excess of any month in the history of the Province, says a report from the Commissioner of Immigration at Winnipeg.

SALMON FISHERY WORKERS

THE British Columbia salmon fishery employs 18,000 persons and over $8,000,000 is invested in fishing and canning equipment, according to the Commission of Conservation.

ALBERTA MOUNTED POLICE

IT has been officially announced that Lethbridge will be the headquarters of the Royal Northwest Mounted Police for the new southern Alberta division of the Mounted Police.

MASCOTS OF THE BRITISH ARMY

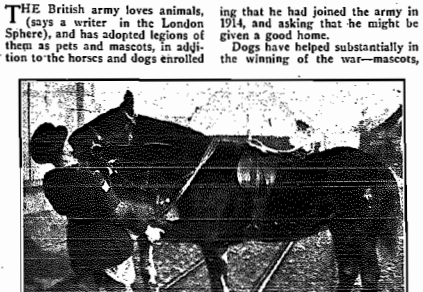
Their Useful Work Performed on Various Fronts During the War

THE British army loves animals, (says a writer in the London Sphere), and has adopted legions of them as pets and mascots, in addition to the horses and dogs enrolled officially. It is difficult, indeed, to do justice to the bravery of the horses, those gallant beasts who go to their death unhesitatingly at the bidding of man—straining forward with the guns under fire, galloping in the charge, always going until they drop. How many times would the guns have been lost without the pluck and endurance of their teams, and how many times would those same guns have been left without ammunition but for the horses that carried the shells forward over ground where no motor vehicle could go?

The horses have never been so well cared for as during this war, when admirably equipped veterinary hospitals have been established where their wounds were tended and they were nursed back to health again; besides, the British soldier is traditionally good to his mount, and there are not a few horses who have served throughout the campaign. One of these, cast from the army, was recently sold at auction, bearing round his neck a card stating that he had joined the army in 1914, and asking that he might be given a good home.

Dogs have helped substantially in the winning of the war—mascots, sentinels, despatch-carriers, Red Cross dogs, all have taken their part, and played it bravely to the finish. There were the sentinels, watchful at their posts and never sleeping, quicker than any human to give warning of a movement of the enemy, and the dogs of the Red Cross, who sought the wounded and brought back a cap or a scrap of uniform to say that they had found someone who needed more help than they could give. There were the dogs who, masked like the horses and men, went forward through clouds of poison gas and dense fire with despatches and messages across ground where no man could live. They won through and brought their despatches or they died on the way, for nothing less than death could stop them.

There is many a man who owes his life to the carrier pigeon which flew off to fetch help when it was sorely needed, and went on flying when it was wounded. Cats as well as birds were useful at the front; they were abnormally quick to signal the approach of enemy aircraft.



"Good Bye Old Man"

A Canadian Staff Officer Bidding Farewell to His Charger in France

SALT PRODUCTION

THE salt production of the Dominion in 1918 by grades included: table and dairy salt, 34,324 tons; common fine, 53,908 tons; common coarse, 41,454 tons; and land salt, 2,011 tons, as shown by the Preliminary Report of Mineral Production in Canada, issued recently by the Mines Branch, Department of Mines.

CLEAN SEED

AT Ste. Rosalie, Que., is to be found one of the most unique co-operative enterprises of its kind on the North American continent. It is a plant containing an equipment for the purpose of cleaning and grading seed grain for the farmers of the Province. Seed grain and some other farm supplies are also bought and sold.

POINTED QUESTIONS

Are you a Self-Denier?

Do you realize that we can only carry out Christ's commands by sacrificing something?

Will you do your best to make Self-Denial Week a success?

(See "Why Self-Deny?"—Page Two)

WATER POWER RESOURCES

AS shown by the report of the Commission of Conservation on the water-powers of British Columbia, which will be issued shortly, the investigation of the water-powers of that Province by the Commission has disclosed the existence of two great water-power centres, namely, Nelson, with 400,000 h.p. within a radius of 50 miles, and Vancouver, with 300,000 h.p. within the same distance. The report states that, based on experience at Toronto, these quantities would suffice for a population of 1,700,000 at Nelson, or for ten manufacturing cities of 170,000 each. The power in the vicinity of Vancouver would be sufficient for one manufacturing city of 1,250,000 population, or for ten cities of 125,000 each.

FIRE LOSS INCREASING

THAT fire loss in the Dominion is increasing, will be evident from the following figures:

Total value of property destroyed by fire in Canada:

1918	$33,623,000
1917	24,800,000
1916	25,160,000
1915	19,022,000

WAR GARDENS

DO not demobilize your war garden. It should be put on the strength of the permanent forces of production. Gardening not only increased the food supply during the war, but it also added much to the total of human health and happiness. It is an institution that should be kept on a war footing.

WILL MEET IN CANADA

THE National Fire Prevention Association, which has a large membership in both Canada and the United States, will hold its annual meeting about the middle of May. It is due to the efforts of the Commission of Conservation that the association is to meet in Ottawa, according to officials of the commission. At the meeting the whole question of fire prevention will be discussed by experts and further measures will be taken in the interest of reducing fire losses, it is stated.

A NEGLECTED FERTILIZER

MANY towns and cities have experienced a scarcity of manure since the vacant-lot garden movement has become so popular. The St. Thomas Horticultural Society, a very wide-awake institution, has met this difficulty by collecting and storing annually about 400 loads of pavement sweepings, stable manure and leaves. This is stored in a convenient place just outside the city where it decomposes, being frequently turned to hasten rotting and prevent burning. It is afterwards applied to the Society's boulevard beds and to reclaimed waste areas, whilst some is sold to members.

POPULATION OF DOMINION

THE population of the Dominion per square mile is 1.1 in British Columbia; 1.5 in Alberta; 1.9 in Saskatchewan; 1.8 in Manitoba; 6.1 in Ontario; 2.8 in Quebec; 12.5 in New Brunswick; 22.9 in Nova Scotia; and 42.9 in Prince Edward Island, according to figures given in a publication of the Canada Food Board.

HALLELUJAH ROCKY
THE : TWICE : BORN : MAN

By S. A. KIRKSPEN

HIS STIRRING LIFE STORY IN THREE PARTS:

I.-Dark Days Without Christ
II.-Dawning of the Great Light
III.-Exploits in Salvation Service

SUMMARY OF PREVIOUS CHAPTERS

Jim Smith, the main character of this story, had the misfortune to be the son of a drunkard. His early years were made very miserable, therefore, and he knew what it was to be hungry, cold and ragged. After Smith senior had drunk himself into his grave, Jim made a brave attempt to help his mother by peddling fish. Circumstances changed for the better when his mother married a well-to-do foreman of a shipyard. Jim could not get on with his stepfather, however, and finally enlisted in the British army. His regiment was sent to Hong Kong, and the record of the years that Jim spent there is black with accounts of drunken carousals, fighting, and gambling. At length his health broke down and he was invalided home. On obtaining his discharge he helped his mother in her business, but could not keep away from the drink. After a while he got married, and signalised the event by coming home drunk and knocking his young bride down when she upbraided him. He was sorry next morning, however, and begged her forgiveness. She got him to promise not to drink any more, and he joined a Temperance Society. Business prospered, and all seemed going well when Jim met some old friends on the company night one day and they persuaded him to drink with him. After that he drank heavy continually, and so neglected his business that his wife thought it best to leave Ipswich and make a fresh start in some other town.

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PART I.—CHAPTER XX.

BUYING A NEW BUSINESS

WITH no very definite plans in mind Jim and his wife went to the great city of London.

Here they stayed for about three weeks, living at a hotel and spending their time in sight-seeing. Being away from his old companions and quite taken up with the novelty of being in London, Jim kept away from the drink, but his wife began to have a glimmer of hope that perhaps they could start a new and happier life together if only she could steer her husband clear of temptation.

REAL HAPPY DAYS

They were real happy days that the pair spent in London; in fact it was just like a honeymoon. But soon their little stock of money began to run low and it became imperative for Jim to seek some means of livelihood.

Hearing that Portsmouth offered a likely field for his line of business—that of candy maker—Jim decided to go there. So Jim and his wife arrived in the town one Saturday night and obtained lodgings. On Sunday they had a look around the town and thought it was a very nice place.

On Monday they set out together to see if they could not discover some sort of an opening for setting up in business. By this time Jim's sole remaining capital had dwindled to nine sovereigns. This was not much on which to start a new business in a strange town, and many a man would have dismissed such an idea as chimerical and sought employment with some firm. But Jim had a happy-go-lucky spirit which was not daunted by seeming obstacles. He was also very resourceful and was well able to play a game of bluff.

As they were passing down a certain street his eye fell on a card in a shop window on which were the words, "This business to be disposed of."

Jim called his wife's attention to it and then said: "How would you like to have that shop my dear?"

"What is the good of asking that, Jim?" said Mrs. Smith. "You know we haven't money enough to buy it."

"Never mind the money," said Jim; "if you would like that shop you shall have it. Leave it to me now and do just what I tell you. Come on, let's go in and enquire about it."

Wondering whatever scheme her husband had in view, Mrs. Smith followed

"A benevolent-looking old lady came to wait on them"

him into the shop. A benevolent-looking old lady in white cap and apron and wearing spectacles, came to wait on them.

"Good morning, madam," said Jim in his politest manner, "I see by the card in the window that you wish to dispose of this business."

"Well, yes," beamed the old lady, "we were thinking of selling. It is a very good shop but I and my husband are getting on in years now and it is getting too much for us to look after it. So as we have made quite a nice little sum, we were thinking of retiring. Do you think of taking a shop?"

PLAYING ON SYMPATHY

"Yes," said Jim, well pleased at the information the old lady was giving him and preparing to play on her sympathies for all he was worth. "You see, madam, we have just got married and my dear wife thought that she would like to have a shop like this. She has often looked at it as we have gone up and down the street and when she saw the card she urged me to come right over and see about it at once."

"Oh, and so you have just got married, eh?" said the old lady, smiling at the pair. "I suppose you are on your honeymoon then. Looking at you reminds me of my honeymoon days. That was forty years ago, my dears. We took a trip to Honeymoonland and we had such a happy time. And I must say that I have had a very happy married life, too, and I hope you will be able to say that at the end of forty years. Well now, since you told me that, I am very anxious to help you get on. I think this little shop will just suit you. If you took it when would you think of coming in?"

"If it would be convenient to you we would like to come in at once," said Jim.

His action had just the effect on the old lady that he had calculated.

"Oh, my dear young man," she said, raising her hand, "I can see that you do not know the ways of the world yet. You are innocent. No, this is the way we will do business. When you and your wife are nicely settled here I will call around some afternoon and have a cup of tea with you and then we can go into the matter of payment."

"Well, I must say that you are indeed a kind lady," said Jim, and he was conscious of a note of relief in his voice. "But if you will not take the whole amount now at least accept two pounds to bind the bargain."

JIM BECAME OWNER

"Well, alright, perhaps that would be best," said the old lady. "I will give you a receipt and you can move in this afternoon."

And thus it came about that Jim became the owner of a nice little shop and still had a capital of seven pounds left with which to buy stock and furniture. This latter he obtained next day on the hire purchase system.

He and his wife then set to work in real earnest and before long had a thriving business and were making money fast. These were happy days for them. Jim had not touched drink since leaving Ipswich and did not seem to crave for it as formerly.

"Ah, at last, I have the mastery over my old enemy," he said to himself as he went across to Gosport one day, to do some business. But just as he was thus congratulating himself and revelling in his fancied security he was hailed by a man from across the street.

"Why, hello Jim, dear boy, what a surprise to see you here."

Looking at the man who spoke Jim recognized one of his old soldier chums with whom he had had many a wild drinking bout in Hong Kong.

AN OLD FRIEND

"Well I never, if it isn't Tom Bell," he exclaimed, as he shook hands with the other. "The two men stood talking for some time enquiring of each other how things had been going with them since last they met.

"Well come home and have tea with me," said Jim, "and I'll introduce you to my wife."

Tom readily consented and was duly made welcome at his old friend's home.

After tea the two men went out for a walk and it was not long before Tom proposed that they should enter a pub. He house and have a drink together.

Jim thought that he was quite strong enough now to withstand temptation even in a pub, so he thought he would have a glass of pop. The smell of his friend's whisky, however, aroused the drink demon in him once more, and almost before he knew it he was pouring the fiery liquor down his throat. This led to a most strange adventure as we will relate in our next chapter.

(To be continued)

SALVATIONIST CHAIR-MAKERS

An opportunity presents itself for Salvationists who have had experience in chair-making to obtain good employment in an Ontario town, where they could take part in the opening of a Corps for which a Hall is available. First-class mechanics, cabinet-makers, chair-makers, finishers, rubbers, polishers, varnish hands, and machine men are offered steady work. Highest wages. For particulars, apply The Field Secretary, Salvation Army Temple, 20 Albert Street, Toronto.

WE ARE
Looking For You

We will search for missing persons in any part of the globe, befriend and, as far as possible, assist anyone in difficulty. Address MAJOR SIMS, 203 Confederation Life Building, Winnipeg, marked "Enquiry" on envelope.

One Dollar should be sent with every case, where possible, to help defray expenses. In case of reproduction of photograph, $2 extra.

Officers, Soldiers, and Friends are requested to assist us by looking regularly through the Missing Column, and to notify Major Sims if able to give information concerning any case, always stating name and number of case.

HUGH McWORRELL or McGUIRL. Age 37, dark complexion, dark hair, medium height. Was wearing a gray suit. Employed as auctioneer in chemp jewelry stores.

DUNCAN JOHN RANKIN. Came from Scotland twelve years ago. In January, 1911, was staying at a Salvation Army Shelter.

WILLIAM JOHN GOODIN. News wanted as to the whereabouts of W. J. Goodin. Some time ago was working as fireman on C.P.R. Age 39, height 5 ft. 10 in., blue eyes, rather sandy complexion, rather large nose. About eleven months ago was in Medicine Hat. Not heard from since.

MRS. ALMA SNOWDEN. Nationality, French. Age 31. Left Victoria one year ago, accompanied by a child. Supposed to be living in Winnipeg. Money is awaiting her if she will write to above address.

O. LOUVERE ANDERS. Norwegian. Age 22, medium height, brown hair, blue eyes. Four years ago was living at Hawarden, Saskatchewan.

ALBERT LINDGREEN, Norwegian. Age 48; tall, curly hair. Some time ago was working as a tailor in Calgary.

BURTON. News wanted of the whereabouts of either Herbert, Harry, Frederick or David Burton. Brother Arthur, of Mirror, Alberta, enquires.

MR. ANDRIAS FALD. Norwegian. Age 25. Rather tall and stout, sandy hair and blue eyes. Last known address, Robsart, Saskatchewan.

GEORGE HARWOOD, or any of the children of Jasper Harwood. Late of Shannon County, Cavin Island.

HARRY E. WILK. Age 32, tall, stout, dark hair, grey eyes. Was a salmon fisher. Last heard of at East Lake, Van Island.

LYDIA SARAH KING. Age 26. Height 5 ft. 6 in., blue eyes, dress-maker. Supposed to be in Saskatchewan.

MRS. HERMAN O. KOLSTAD, nee Pedersen. Norwegian, age 54. Left St. Paul, Ill., for Saskatchewan three years ago. Husband a farmer.

EINAR WILHERM BJORKMAN. Fair, tall. Farm laborer. Was known to be in Davidson, Sask., also Prince Albert, about six years ago.

GEORGE A. NELSON. Returned from France in January last; 5 ft. 6 in., ordinary build.

COMMISSIONING OF WESTERN CADETS

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ference to three Cadets who were not able to be present, namely, Cadet Reynolds, who was called home temporarily on account of the death of her father and Cadet Waterson, appointed to assist at the Vancouver Rescue Home previous to the close of the Session. In the case of this Cadet the Commissioner said he had arranged with the Matron, Consumptive Home, to present the Cadet with her Commission at 9 p.m., Vancouver time. She would thus receive it practically at the same time as the other Cadets received theirs. Mention was also made of Cadet Batteroby who had been sent to assist at Coleman, Alberta, a few weeks previous.

In due course the Cadets received their Commissions from the hands of the Commissioner and rose to receive his final charge.

"I am much encouraged to note the spirit with which each of you have received your appointment. I believe you have taken them as from God Himself," said the Commissioner. "I want to leave with you this Scripture, 'Certainly I will be with thee.' Put your whole trust in God and He will not fail you even in the darkest hour. I want you to realize that you are going forth with my fullest confidence and I now commit you to the care and keeping of our God for service in the Salvation Army."

The Commissioner then offered a dedicatory prayer, at the conclusion of which he invited all present to join in the singing of the consecration chorus, "I'll follow Thee of Life the Giver," and thus Canada West's third Commissioning of Cadets was brought to a close.

Cadets Farewell Tea

On Tuesday evening, April 8th, the Cadets farewell tea took place at the Training Garrison. The event was a most happy one and the memory of it will remain long in the minds of those privileged to be present. After the meal there were some informal speeches, the Chief Secretary calling on certain of the Cadets to speak on behalf of those going to the different Divisions, while various Officers replied on behalf of the Divisions. Pro.-Lieutenant Davis, (Anyox), represented the British Columbia Cadets, and Captain Sharrock of the Training Staff, who has been appointed to Nanaimo, B.C., replied. Alberta was represented by Pro.-Captain, Moll, to whose remarks Mrs. Brigadier Hay replied. Pro.-Lieutenant Taylor spoke on behalf of Saskatchewan and Captain Salmgren, who had worked under the present Divisional Commanders, Brigadier and Mrs. Coombs, referred to their integrity and worth. Pro.-Lieutenant Harrington (Brandon, Man.), spoke for the Manitoba Cadets, and Brigadier Taylor, the Divisional Commander, referred to the day when he was on the Toronto Training Staff. Pro.-Lieutenant Houghton represented the Officers appointed to the Training Division, and Mrs. Brigadier Phillips extended a welcome to them.

Three of the newly made Officers were appointed to the Women's Social and one to the Men's Social, and were represented by Pro.-Lieutenants Anderson and Grierson. Mrs. Commissioner Sowton welcomed them and made mention of the unseen powers of the Saviour's life at Nazareth.

Commissioner Sowton based his brief address on the three words, Consistency, Efficiency, and Sufficiency. There was considerable food for thought in what the Commissioner said, and his parting message no doubt will remain with this fine band of young Officers, and bring forth fruit in the years to come. Each of them spoke in highest terms of the interest Brigadier and Mrs. Phillips and Staff had taken in them while in the Training Garrison where at all times, as one of them said, there was always a "Home tough."—H. G. C.

Salvation Army Hostels

WINNIPEG—Logan Avenue East, near Main Street
VANCOUVER—Gore Avenue (Naval and Military)
VICTORIA, B.C.—589 Johnston Street
PORT ARTHUR—219 Pearl Street
CALGARY—214 Ninth Avenue East
TORONTO—Corner King and Church Streets
KINGSTON—King and Clarence Streets
LONDON—York and Clarence Streets
QUEBEC—16 Palace Hill (Rest Room Only)
HALIFAX—People's Palace, 218-222 Argyle Street
ST. JOHN, N.B.—Prince William Street
CHATHAM, Ontario—210 King Street West
HAMILTON—King and Charles Streets

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BEDS, MEALS, AND REFRESHMENTS AT REASONABLE RATES
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SONGS FOR SELF-DENIAL

TAKE MY ALL

Tunes—Nottingham, 85; Innocents, 83; Song-Book, 781.

Take my life, and let it be
Consecrated, Lord, to Thee;
Take my moments and my days,
Let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands, and let them move
At the impulse of Thy love;
Take my feet, and let them be
Swift and beautiful for Thee.

Take my silver and my gold,
Not a mite would I withhold;
Take my intellect, and use
Every power as Thou shalt choose.

Though your all seem very little,
Cast it in God's treasury;
Jesus always recognizes
What is given cheerfully.

BRING YOUR DEAREST

Tune—Shall we meet? 156; Song-Book, 776.

Bring your tithes into the storehouse,
Lay your best at Jesus' feet;
Bring an offering to the altar,
Make your sacrifice complete.

Bring your dearest and your best,
Join with us in Self-Denial,
Bring your dearest and your best.

Bring your time and bring your talents,
Bring that which will cost you pain;
Bring your best, your dearest treasure,
Let God have His own again.

COMING EVENTS

COMMISSIONER SOWTON

Saskatoon II., Saturday, May 10.
Saskatoon I., Sunday, 11.
Melfort, Monday, 12.
North Battleford, Tuesday, 13.
Prince Albert, Wednesday, 14.
Humboldt, Thursday, 15.
Canora, Sask., Friday, 16.
Melville, Saturday and Sunday, 17 and 18.
Yorkton, Monday, 19.
Port Arthur, Saturday and Sunday, 24-25 (at 11 a.m. and 3 p.m.).
Fort William, Sunday (night), 25.

COLONEL TURNER
(Chief Secretary)

Kildonan (Winnipeg)—Sun., May 4.
Detention Home (Winnipeg), Sunday, 11.
Indian Head, Sun., 18.
Portage La Prairie, Sun., 25.

Brigadier Coombs—Melville, Sat., May 3; Melville, Sun., 4; Yorkton, Mon., 5; Young, Tues., 6; Prince Albert, Wed., 7; North Battleford, Thurs., 8; Melfort, Fri., 9; Saskatoon II., Sat., 10; Saskatoon I., Sun., 11; Humboldt, Mon., 12.

Commandant Larson—Prince Albert, Sat.-Sun., May 3-4; Young, Mon.-Tues., 5-6; Prince Albert, Wed.-Thurs.-Fri., 7-8-9; North Battleford, Sat.-Sun., 10-11.

INVESTMENTS

Officers, Soldiers, or friends having money to invest could, with mutual advantage, lend it to the Army for use in the Salvation War. Loans are utilized strictly for investment in Army property and other equally secure capital, and a liberal rate of interest is paid for the use of the money. Withdrawal, if necessary, of the whole or part of the loan, can be conveniently arranged without trouble or difficulty at any time. Names of investors are kept strictly private.

A communication addressed to Commissioner Sowton, 203 Confederation Life Building, Winnipeg, will receive immediate attention. Further information will be gladly given.

REGINA

A very profitable lantern lecture was given in the Regina Citadel on Thursday night, April 10th, referring to the life of the late General and Mrs. Booth. A duet was sung by Captain Mitchell and Sister Pearl Coombs entitled "He wipes the tears from every eye." The Songsters also assisted.

Our week-end meetings were conducted by Adjutant and Mrs. Muttart. Two of our Comrades farewelled on Sunday night—Captain McCaughey and Sister Mrs. Lindsay. The meeting closed with two souls at the Mercy Seat.

The Testimony meeting on Monday was conducted by Captain McCaughey and was of an exceptionally lively character. His last message to the Corps he urged all to work in harmony the one with the other, and very forcefully charged all to cut clean from the world. One soul sought Salvation and one the sanctifying power of the Holy Spirit.—M. B.

VICTORY AT ROSSLAND

We are rejoicing in Rossland over souls being won for our Master.

Captain and Mrs. Pierce took charge of this Corps just over three months ago and since then we have seen people seeking God.

On Sunday, April 6th, the ice did break came when twelve souls sought Salvation.

Captain Hodge was with us for this week-end and we all enjoyed her visit.

We have just started a Soldiers' Brigade and expect soon to reorganize the Band.

SELF-DENIAL WEEK

Canada West—May 3rd to 10th

AN EFFORT IN WHICH TO RAISE MONEY FOR SALVATION ARMY WORK SALVATIONISTS UNITE IN

PERSONAL SELF-DENIAL

AND IN WHICH ALL FRIENDS ARE

INVITED TO JOIN

THE PROCEEDS WILL BE DEVOTED ENTIRELY TO

Home and Foreign Missions

OF THE SALVATION ARMY

HELP FOR INDIA'S STARVING MILLIONS

India is in the deadly grip of plague and famine. The state to which the population has been reduced is appalling, and prevailing conditions are so terrible that they baffle description.

In the Central and Northern Provinces of India death stalks through the land, taking a toll that makes the Great War's casualty list pale into insignificance.

To date the estimated number of dead from plague and famine in the past year is over 32,000,000. The poor have eaten all their food, and the physical conditions of thousands upon thousands is such that they are too weak even to carry their water jars. Others, driven mad with hunger, are eating roots, seeds, kernels of old nuts, or anything they can pick up.

It should be clearly understood that Self-Denial Money is

Not for War or Social Work